sonal attention to the patient when this form of treatment is used.

It is gratifying to report for the second successive year that certain communities, which in the past have been sources of an abnormal number of claims and suits, have become almost entirely free from such difficulties. This happy circumstance may reasonably be attributed to an increase in mutual respect among the medical profession in these localities.

FRANK E. BUTLER,
Chairman.

This report was referred jointly to the Committees on Resolutions and New Business.

Committee on Revision of Constitution and By-Laws

No specific suggestions for changes in the Constitution and By-Laws have been received by the committee during the past year. Nevertheless, consideration has been given to several amendments which might lead to the more effective handling of certain phases of the Society's affairs.

There appears to be need for a reorganization of our committee structure, particularly in connection with the consideration of problems which fall into the general classification of medical economics. At the present time there is no provision for a single committee with this designation. Matters of economics are now handled by the Committees on Public Policy, State Industrial Affairs, Clinic and Institutional Medical Care; Veterans Affairs, and the Medical Advisory Committee to the State Relief Committee. The two former committees are standing committees provided for in the by-laws, while the latter three are special committees which have been created from time to time over a period of years. It would seem desirable to define more accurately the functions of these various committees and perhaps to align them together under the broad committee designation of Medical Economics.

A similar overlapping of functions is apparent in connection with the handling of matters relating to public education. Here, again, this branch of our activities is cared for in part by a committee with that specific designation, but with several other committees dealing from time to time with one or more phases of this broad field. These committees include the standing Committee on Public Policy and the special Committees on Cancer Control,

Conservation of Vision, Conservation of Hearing, Maternal Welfare, and Clinic and Institutional Medical Care.

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Invitations for 1937 Session

W. W. Baum of Salem, representing the Polk-Yamhill-Marion Medical Society, extended an invitation to hold the 1937 session in Salem. K. H. Martzloff of Portland, called attention to the favorable reaction of the membership to the holding of the 1935 session at Gearhart and suggested that the 1937 session be held there. J. C. Vandevert of Bend invited the Society to meet in his home city in 1937 in the event that Gearhart was not again selected as the meeting place. Thompson Coberth of The Dalles expressed the opinion that one of the chief values of the annual session was the education of the public of the convention city in medical matters, and that, therefore, it was desirable that the annual session should be rotated among the various cities of the state. On motion duly made and seconded, it was voted that all invitations for the 1937 session be referred to the Committee on New Business.

President Massey introduced Olin West, secretary of the American Medical Association. An informal discussion concerning various current problems of concern to the medical profession followed. Dr. West and numerous members of the House participated in this discussion.

At 9:00 a.m., on motion of Dr. Fitzgibbon, seconded by Dr. Sears, it was unanimously voted to continue in session as long as necessary to complete the discussion with Dr. West. The discussion was then continued. Following the discussion, on motion of Dr. Sears, seconded by Dr. Fitzgibbon, a standing vote of thanks was given Dr. West for his attendance at the meeting and for the helpful information he presented.

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A telegram was read from R. A. Fenton, Trustee of the American Medical Association, expressing regret concerning his inability to be present and offering best wishes for a successful meeting.

On motion of Dr. Bettman, and duly seconded, it was voted that the House go out of executive session and return to regular session and that all actions taken in executive session be official actions of the House.

At 10:00 a.m., it was voted to adjourn until 7:30 a.m. on Saturday.

THIRD SESSION

Saturday, October 10

The House of Delegates was called to order by President G. A. Massey at 7:30 a.m., at The Dalles Hotel.

On roll-call, the following members of the Council were present:

G. A. Massey, president; A. M. Webster, past-president; O. C. Hagmeier, second vice-president; J. C. Vandevert, third vice-president; O. F. Akin, treasurer; M. L. Bridgeman, secretary; Councilors C. E. Sears, K. H. Martzloff, C. E. Hunt, C. T. Sweeney, E. D. Lamb, Thompson Coberth, and H. A. Cary; J. H. Fitzgibbon, delegate to the American Medical Association.

The following delegates were present:

W. T. Johnson of Corvallis, Benton County Medical Society; J. C. Booth of Lebanon, Central Willamette Medical Society; Albert Mount of Oregon City, Clackamas County Medical Society; R. J. Pilkington of Astoria, Clatsop County Medical Society; F. G. Swedenburg of Ashland, Jackson County Medical Society; E. L. Zimmerman and L. S. Kent of Eugene, Lane County Medical Society; C. W. McCain of Hood River, Mid-Columbia Medical Society; H. P. Rush, N. W. Jones, C. P. Wilson, Stanley Lamb, F. R. Mount, and J. A. Pettit of Portland, Multnomah County Medical Society; H. A. Dowd and R. M. Waltz of Salem, Polk-Yamhill-Marion Medical Society; J. C. Hayes of Medford, Southern Oregon Medical Society; David Robinson of Tillamook, Tillamook County Medical Society.

Several members of the Society and the executive secretary were present.

Communications

A letter was read from the Portland Better Business Bureau, requesting the cooperation of the membership in distributing pamphlets prepared by the Bureau in opposi-

tion to the so-called Truthful Advertising Constitutional Amendment on the November ballot.

Report of Committee on New Business

Your Committee on New Business to which were referred numerous reports of officers and committees, as well as other matters, submits the following report:

1. Your committee recommends the adoption of the reports of the Secretary, the Treasurer, the Delegate to the American Medical Association, and the Committees on Scientific Work, Publication, Medical Defense, Medical Education and Hospitals, Cancer Control, Medical Advisory Committee to the State Relief Committee, Conservation of Vision, Clinic and Institutional Medical Care, Military Affairs, Liaison Committee to the Woman's Auxiliary, Maternal Welfare, Veterans Affairs, Advisory Committee on Federal Survey of Disabling Illness, and Advisory Committee on Laboratory Standards to the State Board of Health. Your committee further recommends the adoption of the recommendations contained in these reports and the commendation of the officers and committees for the excellence of their activities and the informative quality of their reports.

On motion of Dr. Booth, seconded by Dr. Martzloff, it was unanimously voted that this recommendation be adopted.

2. Your committee recommends the adoption of the report of the Committee on Public Policy and that the attention of the component societies be called to the recommendations of the committee concerning opposition to the so-called Truthful Advertising Constitutional Amendment on the November ballot and to the desirability of giving active support to the physician-candidates for the state legislature.

On motion of Dr. Booth, seconded by Dr. Martzloff, it was unanimously voted that this recommendation be adopted.

3. Your committee recommends the adoption of the following amendment to the by-laws proposed by Thompson Coberth, Chairman of the Committee on State Industrial Affairs:

That Section 9 of Chapter VIII be amended so as to read as follows: The Committee on State Industrial Affairs shall consist of six members, each of whom shall

serve for a period of three years; provided that immediately following the adoption of this amendment, two members shall be appointed to serve for one year, two for two years, and two for three years. This committee, subject to instructions from the Council, shall represent the Society in all matters relating to industrial medicine and surgery.

On motion of Dr. Martzloff, seconded by Dr. Coberth, it was unanimously voted that this recommendation be adopted and that this proposed amendment to the by-laws be adopted.

4. Your committee recommends the adoption of the report of the Committee on State Industrial Affairs and recommends that the committee be authorized to deal with the State Industrial Accident Commission for the purpose of obtaining the elimination of or a reduction in the 25 per cent discount from the Society's Minimum Industrial Fee Schedule which the Commission is now applying to the compensation of physicians.

On motion of Dr. Booth, seconded by Dr. Martzloff, it was unanimously voted that this recommendation be adopted.

5. Your committee recommends that the Committee on State Industrial Affairs be authorized to cooperate with the State Industrial Accident Commission in a survey of occupational diseases in connection with contemplated amendments to the Workmen's Compensation Law designed to make such diseases compensable.

On motion of Dr. Booth, seconded by Dr. Martzloff, it was unanimously voted that this recommendation be adopted.

6. Your committee recommends that the report of the Committee on Public Education be referred to the Council with power to act. The committee makes this recommendation because of the detailed nature of this report and the numerous questions of basic policy requiring study before well-advised action can be taken.

On motion of Dr. Booth, seconded by Dr. Matzloff, it was unanimously voted that this recommendation be adopted.

7. Your committee recommends that the report of the Committee on the Revision of Constitution and By-Laws and its recommendation for a careful review and drafting of needed amendments be adopted; and further that the suggestion of Olin West, Secretary of the American Medi-

cal Association, that each component society be requested to review and amend its constitution and by-laws in harmony with that of the state society, particularly with regard to disciplinary procedure, be followed out.

On motion of Dr. Booth, seconded by Dr. Martz-
4350 loff, it was unanimously voted that this recommendation be adopted.

8. Your committee recommends that the action of the Council on September 2, 1936, in adopting a certain Statement of Principles and Procedure for the Control of Contract Practice, submitted with the report of the Secretary, be ratified and adopted as the policy of the Society on this subject.

On motion of Dr. Booth, seconded by Dr. Martzloff, it was unanimously voted that this recommendation be adopted.

9. Your committee recommends that all invitations and suggestions received concerning the place of the 1937 annual session be referred to the Council with power to act.

On motion of Dr. Booth, seconded by Dr. Martzloff, it was unanimously voted that this recommendation be adopted.

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11. Your committee recommends that each delegate be requested to present at the November meeting of his component society a summary of the various reports of officers and committees and the actions of the House of Delegates.

On motion of Dr. Booth, seconded by Dr. Martzloff, it was unanimously voted that this recommendation be adopted.

12. Your committee recommends that each component society devote certain of its meetings during the coming year to a discussion of problems of medical economics and the policies of organized medicine with relation thereto.

On motion of Dr. Booth, seconded by Dr. Martzloff, it was unanimously voted that this recommendation be adopted.

13. Your committee recommends that in order to avoid duplicate representation in the House of Delegates the several district societies, in electing delegates to the state society, bear in mind the representation already accorded their membership through delegates elected by the county medical societies within the boundaries of the district society.

On motion of Dr. Booth, seconded by Dr. Martzloff, it was unanimously voted that this recommendation be adopted.

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Report of Committee on Resolutions.

Your committee recommends the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the Oregon State Medical Society commend the dignified and efficient administration of G. A. Massey, our retiring president, which has been marked by the most cordial relationships between the president, the Council, and the several committees.

Resolved, That the Oregon State Medical Society commend Otis F. Akin, our treasurer, for the efficient manner in which he has handled the Society's funds and congratulate him on his good report and the satisfactory financial conditions it reflects.

Resolved, That the Oregon State Medical Society express its appreciation to Morris L. Bridgeman, our secretary, and to Clyde C. Foley, our executive secretary, and to their assistants, for the splendid manner in which the business of the Society has been carried out.

Resolved, That the Oregon State Medical Society express its sincere appreciation of the effective work of our delegate, John H. Fitzgibbon, at the 1936 meeting of the House of Delegates of the American Medical Association.

Resolved, That the Oregon State Medical Society acknowledge the great sacrifice and untiring efforts of Thomas Wynne Watts as chairman of the Committee on Public Policy.

Resolved, That the Oregon State Medical Society express its gratitude to the Woman's Auxiliary for its continued support of numerous activities in behalf of the medical profession.

Resolved, That the Oregon State Medical Society express its appreciation to Olin West, Secretary of the American Medical Association for his visit and timely message on professional ethics.

Resolved, That the Oregon State Medical Society express its appreciation to our guest speakers, Joseph Ta-

mura, Clarence E. Dolman, and Clifford Sweet, for their excellent contributions to our scientific program.

Resolved, That the Oregon State Medical Society express its thanks to the Secretary and the Committee on Scientific Work for their arrangement of the interesting and instructive program of papers and exhibits at this session.

Resolved, That the Oregon State Medical Society acknowledge the interest and efforts of our members who contributed to the program as essayists and exhibitors.

Resolved, That the Oregon State Medical Society express its deep appreciation to the Mid-Columbia Medical Society, to its Committee on Arrangements and Woman's Entertainment Committee for the excellent arrangements made for the convenience and pleasure of our Society and its Woman's Auxiliary; to Judge Fred W. Wilson, and the Wasco County Court for the use of the county courthouse as a place of meeting; to The Dalles Chronicle for cooperation and courtesies in reporting the meeting, to the officers and members of the Elks Lodge for entertainment; to the management of employees of The Dalles Hotel for suitable accommodations and assistance; to the ladies of St. Paul's Episcopal Church for their delightful hospitality; to Pease and Company for their helpfulness in numerous details of equipping the meeting-hall; and to the many citizens who contributed to making the meeting successful.

Whereas, the report of the Committee on Publication requested instruction regarding appointments to fill vacancies in the office of associate editor of NORTHWEST MEDICINE; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the House of Delegates of the Oregon State Medical Society hereby authorize and instruct the members of the Committee on Publication to fill such vacancy as at present exists and such as may from time to time occur; and be it further

Resolved, That the House of Delegates express its appreciation to the Trustees and the editor, Clarence A. Smith, for their efforts in giving us such a superior journal.

On motion of Dr. Martzloff, seconded by Dr. E. D. Lamb, it was unanimously voted that this report be accepted and the resolutions contained therein be adopted,

except the final resolution relating to the appointment of the associate editors of NORTHWEST MEDICINE.

Dr. Martzloff stated that the Council, as the representative body of the Society, should exercise control over the appointment of the associate editors of NORTHWEST
4351 MEDICINE.

On motion of Dr. Martzloff, seconded by Dr. Johnson, it was unanimously voted that the following resolution concerning appointments to the office of associate editor of NORTHWEST MEDICINE be adopted:

Whereas, the report of the Committee on Publication requested instruction regarding appointments to fill vacancies in the office of associate editors of NORTHWEST MEDICINE, therefore be it

Resolved, That the House of Delegates of the Oregon State Medical Society hereby authorize and instruct the members of the Committee on Publication to fill, from a list of members recommended by the Council, such vacancy as at present exists and such as may from time to time occur.

Dr. Martzloff pointed out that the Committee on Resolutions had not reported concerning the request of the Medical Library Association for assistance in obtaining adequate appropriations for the Army Medical Library and its Index-catalogue.

On motion of Dr. Martzloff, seconded by E. D. Lamb, it was unanimously voted that the following resolution be adopted:

Resolved, That the Oregon State Medical Society urgently request the Oregon delegation in Congress to support the annual appropriation to the Library of the Surgeon-General's Office of an adequate sum for current medical books and periodicals and for the purchase of back publications lost during those recent years when the amount granted was grossly inadequate, thus depreciating the completeness and usefulness of the Library's collection; and an additional sum annually, for as many years as may be required, in order to make for the greatest possible completeness of the collection and its Catalogue; as well as such an annual amount as is necessary to defray the cost of printing regularly each year not less than one volume of the Index-catalogue.

Report of Committee on Nominations

E. D. Lamb presented the following recommendations of the committee:

President-Elect.....C. T. Sweeney, Medford
1st Vice-President.....Charles E. Sears, Portland
2nd Vice-President.....J. C. Vandeyert, Bend
3rd Vice-President.....W. W. Baum, Salem
Secretary.....Morris L. Bridgeman, Portland
Treasurer.....W. F. Hollenbeck, Portland

Councilors for three-year term ending in 1939:
Second District.....O. C. Hagmeier, Astoria
Fourth District.....J. C. Hayes, Medford
Sixth District.....Thompson Coberth, The Dalles
Councilor-at-large.....L. S. Kent, Eugene

Councilor to fill unexpired term of Charles E. Sears ending in 1937:
First District.....Guy L. Boyden, Portland

On motion of E. D. Lamb, seconded by Dr. Hunt, it was unanimously voted that this report be accepted for submission to the Society.

E. D. Lamb reported that the Committee on Nominations had voted to nominate Goodrich C. Schauffler of Portland for member of the Committee on Publication for the three-year term ending in 1939, who was duly elected.

President Massey expressed his thanks to the committee for their work during the past year and commended the House of Delegates and the Council for their consideration of the subjects upon which they had acted.

Dr. Johnson asked what action was to be taken concerning unethical contract practice. There was discussion of this subject by numerous members of the House, during which it was pointed out that the House had already taken action by ratifying and adopting the Statement of Principles and Procedure for the Control of Contract Practice previously adopted by the Council.

On motion of Dr. Jones, seconded by Dr. Hunt, it was unanimously voted that the Council be commended for its past actions concerning unethical contract practice and that the Council be urged to continue in the course it has outlined for dealing with this subject.

At 9:00 a.m., the House adjourned sine die.

GENERAL BUSINESS SESSION OF THE SOCIETY

Saturday, October 10

The business session of the Society was called to order by President G. A. Massey at 9:30 a.m., in the Circuit Court Room in the Wasco County Courthouse.

Report of the House of Delegates

The executive secretary presented the following report of the actions of the House of Delegates.

GENERAL ACTIONS

1. Commended the officers and committees for the excellence of their activities and the informative quality of their reports.

2. Recommended opposition to the so-called Truthful Advertising Constitutional Amendment on the November ballot.

3. Recommended active support of physician-candidates for the state legislature.

4. Authorized the Committee on State Industrial Affairs to deal with the State Industrial Accident Commission for the purpose of obtaining the elimination of or a reduction in the 25 per cent discount from the Society's Minimum Industrial Fee Schedule which the Commission is now applying to the compensation of physicians.

5. Authorized the Committee on State Industrial Affairs to cooperate with the State Industrial Accident Commission in a survey of occupational diseases in connection with contemplated amendments to the Workmen's Compensation Law designed to make such diseases compensable.

6. Approved a review of the Constitution and By-Laws and the drafting of needed amendments and voted to request each component society to review and amend its constitution and by-laws in harmony with that of the state society, particularly with regard to disciplinary procedure.

7. Ratified and adopted as the policy of the Society, the action of the Council on September 2, 1936, in adopting a certain statement of Principles and Procedure for the

Control of Contract Practice, submitted with the report of the Secretary. (On motion of R. B. Adams, seconded by Dr. Sears, and unanimously carried, this statement was read verbatim.)

8. Referred to the Council with power to act all invitations and suggestions received concerning the place of the 1937 annual session.

9. Recommended that the capacity of the Eastern Oregon Tuberculosis Hospital at The Dalles be increased to 250 beds and that this be done before any other building or expansion is carried out at any other place in the state; and further that certain other measures for the more effective care of the tuberculous be carried out.

10. Recommended that each delegate be requested to present at the November meeting of his component society a summary of the various reports of officers and committees and the actions of the House of Delegates.

11. Recommended that each component society devote certain of its meetings during the coming year to a discussion of problems of medical economics and the policies of organized medicine with relation thereto.

12. Recommended that in order to avoid duplicate representation in the House of Delegates the several district societies, in electing delegates to the state society, bear in mind the representation already accorded their membership through delegates elected by the county medical societies within the boundaries of the district society.

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13. Recommended that in the light of the increasingly invaluable services of the executive secretary and the reduced salary under which he has been working, his former salary be restored, inasmuch as the Treasurer has presented a favorable financial report which shows an abundant reserve.

14. Voted to hold a midyear session, in addition to the session held in connection with the annual meeting of the Society.

Resolutions Adopted

Eleven resolutions were read which had been adopted by the House of Delegates (page 482 of this issue).

Elections By the House of Delegates

Member of Committee on Publication for three-year term ending in 1939, Goodrich C. Schauffler, Portland.

Amendments to the By-Laws

An amendment to the By-Laws which had been adopted by the House of Delegates was read (page 481 of this issue).

MORRIS L. BRIDGEMAN, *Secretary.*

On motion duly made and seconded it was voted that this report be accepted and the actions of the House of Delegates contained therein be approved.

Election of Officers

The recommendations of the House of Delegates for the various offices of the Society were read as appears on page 483 of this issue.

President Massey called for further nominations for each of the above offices. None being made, on motion duly made and seconded, it was voted that the rules be suspended and that the Secretary be instructed to cast an unanimous ballot for each nominee as presented in the report. Then each was declared elected.

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4355 STATE COUNCIL MEETS

The State Council of the Oregon State Medical Society held its October meeting, with President E. H. McLain presiding, in Portland on October 7, with a well represented selection of councillors present.

Mr. Clyde C. Foley, Executive Secretary, rendered a full report of the September annual session and Dr. Thomas Saunders presented the financial and secretarial reports covering the vacation months.

Dr. Leslie Kent presented the latest quirks in the Emergency Maternal and Infant Care Program and a lengthy discussion followed, in which Dr. John F. Belz, Oregon State Director of the Program, took part.

President McLain then announced a list of appointees to standing committees and explained that he was continuing many of the appointees of his predecessor because he conceded they were as fine appointments as he himself could make. The few remaining vacancies will be filled at a later date.

There was some discussion of holding occasional meetings elsewhere than in Portland but it was decided because of transportation difficulties during the war it would be more practicable to hold the monthly meetings in Portland.

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PERSONAL EXPERIENCES

How One Doctor Did It

A physician who became unhappy in his contract with a railroad serving Oregon, because after many months he realized the unfairness of it, was casting around for a means of gracefully withdrawing from the picture. A colleague supplied the answer, based on his experience.

The second doctor, having reached the same conclusion, explained to the company that, due to the shortage of doctors prevailing during the war and the extra demands upon his time, he felt it was grossly unfair to his community to have any priority existing on his services such as his railroad contract might constitute. Therefore, he notified the railroad he was terminating his contract so that his services would be available to all equally without priority, but added he would be happy to continue to see any railroad patients on a strictly private patient basis.

The railroad authorities accepted his stand without quibbling and he continues to see today, on his own private fee basis, the patients whom he formerly saw under the unfair cutrate railroad contract he did not enjoy.

Blow Me Down

A few days after Labor Day a well dressed stranger walked into the Portland office of the Oregon Physicians Service and inquired for the district manager. Shown into Mr. E. E. Rubey's office, he presented a card giving his name and announcing his occupation as Chiropractic Physician. Slightly surprised, Mr. Rubey asked him to state his business.

"Well, it's this way," began the chiropractor. "We chiropractic doctors have been doing a lot of work, just a lot of work, for all the other hospital associations around here. They o.k. our bills without quibbling any, and are mighty glad to have us help them out. As a matter of fact, they give us a blanket right to give up to six treatments anytime one of the hospital association patients comes to us, and we can request more if they need it. But we haven't been getting any cases from your hospital association and we'd like to do work for you fellows on the same basis too. Any chance we can work something out?"

"I don't think so," hedged the diplomatic Rubey when he discovered his speech. "Our association is quite differ-

ent. We really are a doctors' cooperative and one of the requirements for membership is that each doctor must first be a member in good standing of the County or State Medical Society, which is the body sponsoring the O.P.S. cooperative. I guess you can see from that there isn't much chance of this group of doctors sending any work your way."

"I get it," replied the chiropractor, moving toward the door. "The set-up is different than we figured."

The instance is authentic. It is cited not for the humor it may hold for regular O.P.S. members, but solely to point out that here is voluntary confirmation from an unexpected source of the unethical and unscrupulous nature of the commercial hospital associations. It closely follows that medical doctors, who permit their services to be engaged directly or indirectly by such outfits, are in fact bed fellows with the cultists. Someone is being flattered by this relationship and we venture the opinion it is not the medical doctor.

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4358 REPORTS OF MEETINGS.

OREGON STATE MEDICAL SOCIETY

MINUTES OF THE SIXTY-FOURTH ANNUAL MEETING OF OREGON STATE MEDICAL SOCIETY HELD AT MOUNT HOOD TIMBERLINE LODGE, GOVERNMENT CAMP, OREGON, AUGUST 24-26, 1938.

HOUSE OF DELEGATES

First Session

Wednesday, August 24

The opening session of the House of Delegates was called to order by President Charles T. Sweeney at 8:00 a.m., in Room 15A at Mount Hood Timberline Lodge.

President Sweeney announced the appointment of the Committee on Credentials as follows: Morris L. Bridgeman, chairman; Merle W. Moore, Charles E. Hunt.

On roll-call, the following members of the Council were present:

Charles T. Sweeney, president; Charles E. Sears, president-elect; W. W. Baum, first vice-president; Dean P. Crowell, third vice-president; W. F. Hollenbeck, treasurer; Morris L. Bridgeman, secretary; Councilors Blair Holcomb, Karl H. Martzloff, Charles E. Hunt, J. C. Hayes, and L. S. Kent; Ralph A. Fenton, trustee of the American Medical Association; John H. Fitzgibbon, delegate to the American Medical Association.

The following delegates were present:

G. H. Strickland of Oregon City, Clackamas County Medical Society; J. C. Barton, Columbia County Medical Society; John M. Simpkin of Marshfield, Coos and Curry Counties Medical Society; Edward R. Durno of Medford, Jackson County Medical Society; B. G. Bailey of Grants Pass, Josephine County Medical Society; C. E. Leithead of Lakeview, Lake County Medical Society; Roy A. Payne, Howard C. Stearns, A. B. Dykman, C. L. Booth, Louis P. Gambee, C. O. Sturdevant, John G. Cheetham, George E. Henton, Stanley Lamb, C. H. Manlove, Harry B. Moore, Eugene W. Rockey, Merle W. Moore, William A. Shea, B. O. Woods, Matthew C. Riddle, and Earl D. DuBois of Portland, Multnomah County Medical Society; P. A. Loar of Silverton, Polk-Yamhill-Marion Medical Society, R. E. Ringo of Tillamook, Tillamook County Medical Society.

The executive secretary was also present.

President Sweeney announced the appointment of the following committees:

Resolutions: Thompson Coberth, chairman; Edward R. Durno, George E. Henton, A. H. Ross and B. A. Van Loan.

New Business: J. C. Hayes, chairman; B. O. Woods, G. H. Strickland, Stanley Lamb, and William A. Shea.

President Sweeney announced that the Committee on Nominations was to be elected by the House. Stanley Lamb, L. S. Kent, Blair Holcomb, G. H. Strickland, Dean P. Crowell, B. O. Woods, and J. C. Hayes were nominated. Thereupon these were duly elected to compose the Committee on Nominations.

It was voted to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the last annual session, the same having been printed in the December, 1937, issue of NORTHWEST MEDICINE.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Report of Secretary

An extensive report of the work of the society during the past year, including a summary of the actions of the Council and its Executive Committee during the same period, was presented at the midyear meeting of the House of Delegates of June 25. This report was published in the August issue of NORTHWEST MEDICINE. For this reason, an additional, comprehensive report is unnecessary.

The Council has held one meeting since the midyear meeting of the House of Delegates to consider the final report of the Committee on Medical Economics, which was referred to the Council by the House of Delegates for study and recommendations.

The Council voted not to recommend the proposal of the Committee on Medical Economics that Oregon State Medical Society organize a statewide corporation to engage in contract practice and to approve and recommend to the House of Delegates a substitute policy and program for meeting the problem of contract practice, and the medical care of low-wage industrial groups. Copies of this recommended policy and program were subsequently sent to the officers and delegates of all component societies, in order that each society might formulate a policy with respect thereto.

The following table indicates the status of our membership as of August 18, 1938:

	Owing prior to 1937	Paid 1937	Paid 1938	Total
Active	18	84	559	661
Junior	1	8	62	71
Associate	....	1	9	10
Life	....	....	....	16
Honorary	....	....	....	18
Non-resident	3	....	5	8
TOTAL	22	93	635	784

At our last annual meeting, which was held two months later in the year, the total on our roster was 755. The membership is showing a gradual but consistent growth, due largely to the fact that most recent graduates are affiliating as soon as they enter practice.

Your secretary makes grateful acknowledgment of the assistance given him by the officers, councilors, committee members, and executive secretary, as well as the officers of the component societies, and to the courtesies extended him by the membership generally.

MORRIS L. BRIDGEMAN,
Secretary.

This report was referred jointly to the Committees on Resolutions and New Business.

Report of Treasurer

Your treasurer presents the following report which is based upon data contained in the detailed report covering our most recent six-months accounting period ending June 30, 1938, prepared by Mr. G. T. Kronenberg, certified public accountant. The detailed report of Mr. Kronenberg's semi-annual audit will be submitted with this report.

GENERAL FUND

Receipts from members dues for the six-months period totaled $11,329.17 as against $10,492.27 received during the same period last year. This increase is due in part to an increase in membership and in part to the more prompt payment of dues.

The current cash balance in the General Fund on June 30, 1938, was $5,210.50, plus a savings account of $165.90, or a total of $5,376.40. Bills payable, including expense items and turnovers of local society dues, totaled $1,071.73,

leaving a net cash balance of $4,304.67. This net cash balance is $1,503.09 less than the net cash balance of $5,807.76 of a year ago. However, this difference is due largely to the purchase during December, 1937, of U. S. Treasury Certificates costing $3,585.02, which is reflected in a similar increased value in the invested funds of the General Fund.

MEDICAL DEFENSE FUND

This fund no longer increases by the allotment of $3 per year from the annual dues of each active member, this arrangement having ceased in 1933. The sole source of increments consists of interest earned from the savings account and invested securities of the Medical Defense Fund. It has been unnecessary to expend any money from this fund for a number of years, as our members have found their physicians liability insurance adequate to meet all contingencies which have arisen. During the six-months period, under review, $313.67 was earned on investments and savings accounts and no disbursements were made. The cash balance in the savings account at the close of the period was $528.07, as against a cash balance of $1,506.44 a year ago.

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Delegate to American Medical Association

John H. Fitzgibbon presented an extensive verbal report, outlining the actions taken by the House of Delegates of American Medical Association at the 1938 meeting at San Francisco.

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13. *Further Help.* For further help and assistance in setting up a program of health education in the local society or for material, address W. W. Bauer, Bureau of Health and Public Instruction of the American Medical Association, Mr. Clyde C. Foley, executive secretary of the Oregon State Medical Society, or Charles E. Hunt, chairman of the Committee on Public Health Education of Oregon State Medical Society.

This report was referred jointly to the Committees on Resolutions and New Business.

Committee on Publication

More than the usual amount of interest and attention has centered upon the official publication of your State Society this year. The committee composed of Karl H. Martzloff, Edward H. McLean and Goodrich C. Schauffler (Chairman) have held a substantial number of meetings, special meetings being held with executives of your Association and with Clarence A. Smith of Seattle, Editor of NORTHWEST MEDICINE.

A number of helpful and enlightening discussions were held and it may be recorded that personal contacts and the exchange of opinion have been helpful in an unofficial manner, not to be recorded in detail in this report. We refer, however, to such matters as suggestions relative to reduced publication costs, the advertising situation, cost of reprints and other matters which have centered considerable interest in recent years. Unofficial recommendations have also been made relative to Journal financing and the management of excess funds. The Oregon Committee recommended to Dr. Smith that the prices for advertising in NORTHWEST MEDICINE be resubmitted to the cooperative advertising bureau of the A.M.A. and if possible be increased.

Official actions have taken the form of the accompanying recommendations to the Council of Oregon State Medical Society as follows:

1. That Oregon State Medical Society request that a reasonable number of pages be made available for discussion of matters of special interest to our membership
4361 and for reporting the activities of the Council and committees, and that a similar group of pages be made available to Washington State Medical Association and Idaho State Medical Association.

2. That the editorial section be moved to the first pages, that more editorials be localized, that is, deal with important developments in each of the three states.

3. That, because of past failure to conduct such a department by volunteer service, our society employ a part-time editor to edit and foster the preparation of material for the proposed Oregon section, to prepare editorials, and to stimulate local advertising.

4. That a more attractive general format be developed.

5. That efforts to increase income and reduce costs be stimulated.

These recommendations were submitted to the meeting of the Council on June 4 and were approved and the Committee authorized to present them to the meeting of the Board of Trustees of Pacific Northwest Publishing Association.

Accordingly, at the meeting of the Board of Trustees at the Empire Hotel in San Francisco on June 14, these recommendations were formally presented to the Board of Trustees. Considerable interested discussion developed, indicating that representatives of the Washington and Idaho publication committees might in the end make similar recommendations to their own State Societies. The Board of Trustees voted to accept and assist in the carrying out of the Oregon program and the editor expressed himself as willing to cooperate in every way. The discussion was interesting and comprehensive and, we believe, exemplary in the interests of a better journal and particularly in the interest of Oregon's conduct of the affairs of the Society in relation to publications.

The July issue of Northwest Medicine reflected some of the suggestions made by the Oregon Committee. Further action, however, is now contingent upon the early action of your body in appointing a salaried representative or local editor.

Your committee wishes to signalize the complete accord of the various state groups and the outstanding willingness and desire for cooperation evidenced by the Editor-in-Chief. It is our impression that important advances are being accomplished and that the action of the Oregon group will stand as an excellent example for the other states.

KARL H. MARITZLOFF,
EDWARD H. MCLEAN,
GOODRICH C. SCHAUFFLER,

This report was referred jointly to the Committees on Resolutions and New Business.

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Committee on Medical Defense

The committee has continued to carry on its established functions of reviewing the facts in connection with claims

and suits of alleged malpractice brought against our members and advising representatives of the insurance companies concerning the defense of cases, where the facts indicated that there had been no malpractice.

There has been a marked decline in the number of claims and suits filed. Very few claims have gone to trial, and in all these verdicts in favor of the physician-defendant have been rendered. These results are due, in considerable part, to the careful analysis of each case and to close cooperation by the insurance carrier.

The following table shows the results of claims and suits which have been considered by the committee during the period October 1, 1937, to August 1, 1938:

CLAIMS—NO SUIT FILED

Pending at beginning of period	2
Filed during period	9
Closed without payment	9
Settled for nominal amount	0
Pending at close of period	2

SUITS

Pending at beginning of period	3
Filed during period	6
Non-suits for physician-defendant	1
Jury verdicts for physician-defendant	4
Pending at close of period	4

FRANK E. BUTLER,
Chairman.

This report was referred jointly to the Committees on Resolutions and New Business.

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Policy and Program for the Medical Care of Low-Wage Industrial Groups Approved by the Council and Recommended to the House of Delegates

(Approved by the Council on August 6, 1938)

The medical profession of Oregon has reached a crucial point. The decisions we make during this and the ensuing few years will determine permanently the future of medical practice in this state. For this reason, it is vital that we proceed deliberately and cautiously.

4365 Oregon State Medical Society has, therefore, a serious obligation to discharge. It must look years ahead and develop policies with relation to contract practice which are sound not only today, but five, ten or more years from now.

In attempting to solve the difficult problem of contract practice, it is important that we carefully weigh the ultimate implications and possible dangers of any organizations we may establish for that purpose. In our state there is grave danger that the emotional reactions engendered in us as a result of the dictatorial and unfair practices of commercial hospital associations over a period of many years and the temptation to eliminate these practices at any cost will lead to the development of organizations which, while professionally controlled in name, will subject us to the same dictation and control from which we now seek to escape.

No one who is familiar with conditions in our state would seriously advance the idea that contract practice can be eliminated. The problem is to develop local organizations to engage in contract practice which can be kept under the control of our local societies and limited to the care of low-wage industrial groups. Unless such control is provided, even professionally operated plans are certain to get out of hand and lead to the inclusion of all groups of the population and ultimately to state medicine.

It is important to remember that any organization with a full-time staff tends to develop objectives which may differ from the original motives leading to its establishment. All organizations have an inherent tendency to expand. Therein lies the principal defect of a statewide corporation engaging in contract practice.

Local autonomy, or the principle that the medical profession in each community shall handle its own affairs, is the foundation stone of medical organization. Once this principle is abandoned and the medical profession of Oregon is required to take orders from Portland, Salem, Eugene or any other single point, we have installed fascism in medical organization and thrown out democracy. For this reason it is essential that any proposal to install a centralized, statewide plan of contract practice be analyzed with the utmost care.

The Committee on Medical Economics has done an immense amount of work and is entitled to the highest praise for its efforts, the tremendous sacrifice of time involved

in its activities, and the assembling of a mass of valuable information which has been and will be indispensable in the development of any plan the society may adopt. The committee has concluded that the solution of the problem of contract practice consists in the organization by Oregon State Medical Society of a statewide corporation to provide medical care to low-wage earners on a prepaid basis.

There can be no question but that the organization of a statewide corporation for this purpose has certain advantages. However, the organization of such a corporation and the placement in its directors of the power to control medical service for groups of low-wage earners throughout the entire state has serious disadvantages which outweigh these advantages.

The major disadvantages of such a plan may be enumerated as follows:

1. The immediate establishment of a pattern of medical practice which could be readily seized upon by selfish politicians as the foundation for a system of state-controlled medicine.

2. The placement of Oregon State Medical Society in a position where it could no longer act as an independent, censorial mechanism, a function which it must always retain for the protection of the public and the entire medical profession.

3. The creation, justifiably or unjustifiably, of the impression among the local medical societies that they have been deprived of their powers of local autonomy and that medical practice is under the domination of a centralized statewide organization, directed by a small group of physicians in a position of potential dictatorship.

4. The transfer of the enforcement of ethical standards from the Council of Oregon State Medical Society to the Board of Directors of an outside corporation, to which all members of the Society would probably not belong.

5. The possibility that an outside corporation under the theoretical and nominal, but not actual, control of Oregon State Medical Society would obtain a monopoly in the major part of medical practice in the state.

6. The delegation of control over a large percentage of the physicians of the state to an outside corporation, a

condition which would inevitably create a division within Oregon State Medical Society which could not but be harmful.

We are all agreed that definite action should be taken to meet the problem of contract practice and the medical care of the low-wage earner. The sole question is what method shall be used to accomplish this end.

The fundamentals of a proposed program are as follows:

1. That Oregon State Medical Society immediately establish a Bureau of Medical Economics and employ a competent individual who is thoroughly experienced in the organization and operation of prepayment plans of medical care.

2. That the services of this Bureau and of the legal counsel to be made available to the component societies.

3. That each component society be requested to indicate whether the problem of contract practice and the medical care of the low-wage earner in its local community is such as to make desirable the organization of a special plan to provide medical care to such groups.

4. That upon request of any component society, the individual in charge of the Bureau of Medical Economics and legal counsel be sent to such society to make a survey of the local situation and, in cooperation with representatives of the local society, to develop a plan for a local organization to provide medical care for the low-wage groups.

5. That such plans be thereafter submitted to the Executive Committee of the Council for review with particular respect to their conformity to ethical standards and the policies of Oregon State Medical Society; provided that each plan shall include a prohibition against any physician who participates in the plan from engaging in activities which tend to defeat the purposes of the plan.

6. That, following review of such a local plan by the Executive Committee, the individual in charge of the Bureau of Medical Economics and legal counsel, upon request of the local society, shall organize and install the plan in all its details.

7. That the principle be established that each local organization shall limit its activities to the territory embraced within the jurisdiction of the local society by which

it is approved; provided, however, that upon the request of a neighboring local society or the physicians of a neighboring county, the Council may authorize the extension of the activities of a local organization to such additional territory. The activities of the local organization in such additional territory shall be subject to the supervision of a committee representing the local society or the physicians of such territory; and provided, further, that the Council, under special circumstances, may authorize a given local organization to take a statewide contract.

8. That the Council and its Executive Committee, with the technical assistance of the individual in charge of the Bureau of Medical Economics and legal counsel, develop plans and policies for the early accomplishment of the following objectives:

a. The creation of a committee, composed of one representative from each of the existing and future organizations, operating plans approved by the local medical societies, together with the Executive Committee of the Council of Oregon State Medical Society. The duties of this committee, which shall be carried on under the direction of the Council, shall be to assist in coordinating the activities of approved local organizations, to settle disputes arising between the organizations under their contracts or in their administration, and such other duties as may be assigned to it by the Council.

b. The development of uniform by-laws for existing and future organizations operating plans approved by the local medical societies.

c. The preparation of standard contracts for all such organizations, with particular respect to uniform provisions concerning services rendered outside the territorial limits of the local organizations.

d. The drafting of a schedule of rates to subscribers, such rates to be uniform for the same class of risks in order to eliminate "underbidding" and "shopping," and sufficient to provide good medical care.

e. The installation of uniform accounting practices among approved local organizations, as far as feasible.

4366 f. The development of forms of agreement, under which approved local organizations would provide services to the subscribers of other such organizations

who need care outside the territorial limits of the organization of which they are subscribers.

g. The establishment of general policies for the guidance of local organizations, on such matters as the income level for subscribers, the method of approving the taking of statewide contracts by a given local organization, the means to be used by local organizations in making known their services to industrial groups, etc.

h. The investigation of the feasibility of assisting local organizations through a plan for the centralized purchase of printing and supplies, the development of a uniform malpractice policy at more advantageous rates, and similar matters of common concern.

9. That it be the policy of Oregon State Medical Society to cooperate with the Oregon Association of Hospitals in the development of a plan to provide hospital care on a prepayment basis with the ultimate objective of limiting prepaid plans approved by local societies to supplying professional services.

The merits of the proposed plan may be summarized as follows:

1. It preserves the principle of local autonomy and permits each local society to determine for itself whether its particular local conditions are such as to make a plan for the care of local low-wage groups desirable.

2. It provides that Oregon State Medical Society shall supply the fullest technical assistance to its component societies in surveying their local conditions and in developing and installing plans where the local societies desire them.

3. It provides for the coordination of existing and future local organizations and for meeting the problem of statewide contracts.

4. It preserves the independent, censorial functions of Oregon State Medical Society and thus assures that local plans will be carried on in the best interests of the public and the entire medical profession.

5. It avoids the conversion of Oregon State Medical Society into a business organization and permits it to retain its status as a scientific and educational organization

which is primarily interested in the advancement of scientific medicine and the protection of the public health.

6. It lessens the likelihood of a schism in Oregon State Medical Society which might develop by the creation of a separate business organization within the society.

7. It avoids the potential danger that an outside corporation, even though theoretically under professional control, could obtain a monopoly of medical practice in the state.

8. It assures the cooperation of the hospitals of the state, reduces the likelihood that the hospitals will enter the practice of medicine, and should ultimately relieve local prepayment organizations of physicians from assuming the load of providing hospital care.

9. It decreases the possibility that a statewide, governmentally operated scheme of medical practice will be established.

It was voted that this policy and program for the medical care of low-wage industrial groups, representing the Council's recommendations concerning the final report of the Committee on Medical Economics which was referred to it by the House of Delegates at the midyear session, be discussed at the evening session and that final action be taken at the Thursday evening session.

At 9:00 a. m., it was voted to adjourn until 9:00 p. m.

Second Session

Wednesday, August 24

The House of Delegates was called to order by President Charles T. Sweeney at 9:00 p. m., in the dining room at Mount Hood Timberline Lodge.

No roll call was taken, as President Sweeney announced that the regular order of business would be deviated from in order to allow the House and the membership generally to hear a report on the National Health Conference by Robert L. Benson of Portland.

Dr. Benson then presented a report under the title, "Impressions of the National Health Conference."

At 10:00 p. m., it was voted to adjourn until 8:00 a. m., on Thursday.

Thursday, August 25

The House of Delegates was called to order by President Charles T. Sweeney at 8:00 a. m., in the dining room at Mount Hood Timberline Lodge.

On roll-call, the following members of the Council were present:

Charles T. Sweeney, president; Charles E. Sears, president-elect; W. W. Baum, first vice-president; Richard B. Adams, second vice-president; Dean P. Crowell, third vice-president; Morris L. Bridgeman, secretary; Councilors Guy L. Boyden, O. C. Hagmeier, Charles E. Hunt, J. C. Hayes, E. D. Lamb, and L. S. Kent; Ralph A. Fenton, trustee of the American Medical Association; John H. Fitzgibbon, delegate to the American Medical Association.

The following delegates were present:

G. H. Strickland of Oregon City, Clackamas County Medical Society; J. C. Barton of St. Helens, Columbia County Medical Society; John M. Simpkin of Marshfield, Coos and Curry Counties Medical Society; F. L. Ralston, Eastern Oregon District Medical Society; Edward R. Durno of Medford, Jackson County Medical Society; B. G. Bailey of Grants Pass, Josephine County Medical Society; C. E. Leithead of Lakeview, Lake County Medical Society; J. C. Booth of Lebanon, Linn County Medical Society; H. R. Kauffman of Toledo, Lincoln County Medical Society; Howard C. Stearns, C. L. Booth, George E. Henton, M. A. Howard, Stanley Lamb, Harry B. Moore, Robert L. Benson, William A. Shea, E. E. Gambee, and Matthew C. Riddle of Portland, Multnomah County Medical Society; P. A. Loar of Silverton, Polk-Yamhill-Marion Medical Society; R. E. Ringo of Tillamook, Tillamook County Medical Society. Clarence A. Smith of Seattle, editor of NORTHWEST MEDICINE, and the executive secretary were also present.

The Policy and Program for the Medical Care of Low-Wage Industrial Groups, representing the Council's recommendations concerning the final report of the Committee on Medical Economics which was referred to it by the House of Delegates at the midyear session, was read.

John H. Fitzgibbon stated that, under the proposed policy and program, the individual in charge of the pro-

posed Bureau of Medical Economics would have too much power. He then read several amendments designed to eliminate this objection and stated that he would present them at the evening meeting.

Dean P. Crowell stated that the plan proposed by the Committee on Medical Economics was similar to that recommended by the Council, with a few exceptions. He stated that under the plan of the Committee on Medical Economics, Oregon State Medical Society would be the controlling factor over contract practice, while under the Council's plan, the burden would be placed upon the local societies. He stated that existing commercial plans could not be successfully combatted by small, local organizations. He stated that the main purpose of the Committee on Medical Economics was to develop a plan, through which the medical care of low-wage industrial groups would be handled by Oregon State Medical Society on a statewide basis and that the plan proposed by the Council did not provide for this.

Dr. Fitzgibbon stated that the plan proposed by the Council provided that it could authorize a local organization to take a statewide contract.

4367 Charles E. Sears stated that the medical care of low-wage industrial groups had been discussed in the local societies and Oregon State Medical Society for many years and that no plan had been or would ever be found that would please everyone. He stated that he believed Oregon State Medical Society had an opportunity to take the lead over every other state in meeting this problem. He stated that the adoption and carrying out of the policy and program proposed by the Council would help greatly in cementing the medical profession of the state and would bring physicians together with a better understanding than they have ever had.

James C. Hayes stated that he believed the Council's plan would unite the physicians of the state, particularly those who are interested in contract practice, and that all the physician-owned organizations now providing prepaid medical care to low-wage industrial groups would cooperate in carrying out the plan.

At 9:00 a. m. it was voted to adjourn until 7:30 p. m.

Fourth Session

Thursday, August 25

The House of Delegates was called to order by President Charles T. Sweeney at 7:30 p. m., in the dining room at Mount Hood Timberline Lodge.

On roll-call, the following members of the Council were present: Charles T. Sweeney, president; Charles E. Sears, president-elect; W. W. Baum, first vice-president; Richard B. Adams, second vice-president; Dean P. Crowell, third vice-president; W. F. Hollenbeck, treasurer; Morris L. Bridgeman, secretary; Councilors Guy L. Boyden, Blair Holcomb, O. C. Hagmeier, Charles E. Hunt, J. C. Hayes, E. D. Lamb, Thompson Coberth, and L. S. Kent; Ralph A. Fenton, trustee of the American Medical Association; John H. Fitzgibbon, delegate to the American Medical Association.

The following delegates were present:

N. L. Tartar of Corvallis, Benton County Medical Society; G. H. Strickland of Oregon City, Clackamas County Medical Society; J. V. Straumfjord of Astoria, Clatsop County Medical Society; J. C. Barton of St. Helens, Columbia County Medical Society; John M. Simpkin of Marshfield, Coos and Curry Counties Medical Society; F. L. Ralston of La Grande, Eastern Oregon District Medical Society; Edward R. Durno of Medford, Jackson County Medical Society; B. G. Bailey of Grants Pass, Josephine County Medical Society; C. E. Leithead of Lakeview, Lake County Medical Society; J. C. Booth of Lebanon, Linn County Medical Society; H. R. Kauffman of Toledo, Lincoln County Medical Society; Roy A. Payne, Howard C. Stearns, C. L. Booth, C. O. Sturdevant, George E. Henton, M. A. Howard, Stanley Lamb, B. A. Van Loan, C. H. Manlove, Harry B. Moore, E. W. Rockey, Merle W. Moore, William A. Shea, B. O. Woods, and E. E. Gambee of Portland, Multnomah County Medical Society; P. A. Loar of Silverton, Polk-Yamhill-Marion Medical Society; R. E. Ringo of Tillamook, Tillamook County Medical Society.

Clarence A. Smith of Seattle, editor of Northwest Medicine, John J. Coughlin, legal counsel, and the executive secretary, were also present.

In the absence of the regularly elected delegates, L. L. Truax of Klamath Falls, Klamath County Medical Society; H. J. Clements of Salem, Polk-Yamhill-Marion Medical

Society; C. L. Gilstrap of La Grande, Eastern Oregon District Medical Society; Eugene T. Moon of La Grande, Union County Medical Society; A. F. Barnett and W. B. Neal of Eugene, Lane County Medical Society; and C. W. McCain of Hood River, Mid-Columbia Medical Society; were seated by vote of the House.

President Sweeney announced that the Policy and Program for the Medical Care of Low-Wage Industrial Groups, recommended by the Council, was now up for consideration. He spoke briefly urging earnest consideration and constructive action.

B. A. Van Loan stated that he desired to present a number of amendments to the policy and program recommended by the Council, and that these amendments embodied the suggestions made by John H. Fitzgibbon at the morning session. It was voted that each item of the proposed policy and program be read as originally written and then as pro-item was then adopted as amended.

Dr. Van Loan then read the proposed policy and program, item by item, as originally written, followed by his proposed deletions and amendments. Separate motions being duly and made and seconded, each amendment was adopted and each item was then adopted as amended.

It was voted that the fundamental principles contained in the Policy and Program for the Medical Care of Low-Wage Industrial Groups recommended by the Council be adopted in their entirety, as amended. The vote was unanimous, except that N. L. Tartar of Corvallis, delegate from the Benton County Medical Society, voted in the negative, in accordance with the instructions of his society. The amended policy and program were as follows:

Policy and Program For the Medical Care of Low-Wage Industrial Groups

We are all agreed that definite action should be taken to meet the problem of contract practice and the medical care of the low-wage earner. The sole question is what method shall be used to accomplish this end.

The fundamentals of a proposed program are as follows:

1. That Oregon State Medical Society immediately establish a Bureau of Medical Economics.

2. That the services of this Bureau and of legal counsel be made available to the component societies.

3. That each component society be requested to indicate whether the problem of contract practice and the medical care of the low-wage industrial groups in its local community is such as to make desirable the organization of a special plan to provide medical care to such groups.

4. That on request of any component society, the representatives of the Bureau of Medical Economics and legal counsel be sent to such society to make a survey of the local situation and, in cooperation with representatives of the local society, develop a plan for a local organization to provide medical care for the low-wage groups.

5. That any plans developed be thereafter submitted to the Executive Committee of the Council for review with particular respect to their conformity to ethical standards and the policies of Oregon State Medical Society.

6. That the principle be established that each local organization shall limit its activities to the territory embraced within the jurisdicton of the local society by which it is approved; provided, however, that on the request of a neighboring local society, or the physicians of a neighboring county, the Council may authorize the extension of the activities of a local organization to such additional territory. The activities of the local organization in such additional territory shall be subject to the supervision of a committee representing the local society or the physicians of such territory; and provided, further, that the Council, under special circumstances, may authorize a given local organization to take a statewide or partial statewide contract.

7. That the Council, with the technical assistance of the Bureau of Medical Economics, develop plans and policies for the early accomplishment of the following objectives:

a. The Bureau of Medical Economics shall be composed of one representative from each of the existing and future organizations operating plans approved by the local medical societies, together with the Executive Committee of the Council of Oregon State Medical Society. The duties of this Bureau, which shall be carried on under the direction of the Council, shall be to settle disputes arising between approved local organizations under their contracts or in their administration, and such other duties as may be assigned to it by the Council.

b. The development of uniform by-laws for existing and future organizations operating plans approved by the local medical societies.

c. To suggest contracts to such organizations, with
4368 particular respect to uniform provisions concerning services rendered outside the territorial limits of the local organizations.

d. The drafting of schedules of rates to subscribers, sufficient to provide adequate medical care.

e. The installation of uniform accounting practices among approved local organizations, as far as feasible.

f. The development of forms of agreement under which approved local organizations would provide services to the subscribers of other such organizations who need care outside the territorial limits of the organization of which they are subscribers.

g. The establishment of general policies for the guidance of local organizations on such matters as the income level for subscribers, the method of approving the taking of statewide or partial-statewide contracts by a given local organization, the means to be used by local organizations in making known their services to industrial groups, etc.

8. That it be the policy of Oregon State Medical Society to cooperate with the Oregon Association of Hospitals in the development of a plan to provide hospital care on a prepayment basis, with the ultimate objective of limiting prepaid plans approved by local societies to supplying professional services.

This statement of policy and program may be changed or modified at any time by a majority vote of the Council, provided the notice of the meeting states the object of the proposed change or modification.

If any provision of this statement of policy and program is in conflict with the Constitution or By-Laws of Oregon State Medical Society or those of American Medical Association, the invalidity of such provision shall not affect the balance of this statement or policy and program.

Clarence A. Smith of Seattle, editor of NORTHWEST MEDICINE, outlined the activities of Washington State Medical Association in dealing with the problem of the medical care of low-wage industrial groups. He told of the organization of local medical service bureaus and discussed particularly the King County Medical Service Bureau.

Thompson Coberth moved that the House of Delegates grant authority to the Bureau of Medical Economics, through its agents, to place any prepayment plan developed under the adopted program before employers or any group of employees, whom the Bureau deems eligible to the benefits of such a plan. It was voted that Dr. Coberth's motion be laid on the table.

President Sweeney stated that the Committee on Medical Economics was entitled to commendation for its work on the problem of the medical care of low-wage industrial groups and that he desired to appoint a committee to draft a suitable resolution of commendation. It was voted that the President appoint a committee for this purpose. President Sweeney appointed the following committee: Roy A. Payne, chairman; Ralph R. Fenton and J. C. Booth.

L. S. Kent stated that the Lane County Medical Society favored a reduction in the annual registration fee of $5 now being collected by the State Board of Medical Examiners. It was voted that the Committee on Public Policy be authorized to have drafted an amendment to the medical practice act to provide for a reduction in the annual registration fee.

O. C. Hagmeier presented a motion providing for the organization of the medical profession of the state into a union. It was voted that Dr. Hagmeier's motion be laid on the table.

At 10:15 p. m., it was voted to adjourn until 8:00 a. m., on Friday.

Fifth Session

Friday, August 26

The House of Delegates was called to order by President Charles T. Sweeney at 8:00 a. m., in the dining room at Mount Hood Timberline Lodge.

On roll-call, the following members of the Council were present:

Charles T. Sweeney, president; Charles E. Sears, president-elect; Richard B. Adams, second vice-president; Dean P. Crowell, third vice-president; Morris L. Bridgeman, secretary; Councilors Guy L. Boyden, O. C. Hagmeier, Charles E. Hunt, J. C. Hayes, E. D. Lamb, and L. S. Kent; Ralph A. Fenton, trustee of the American Medical Asso-

ciation; John H. Fitzgibbon, delegate to the American Medical Association.

The following delegates were present:

G. H. Strickland of Oregon City, Clackamas County Medical Society; J. C. Barton of St. Helens, Columbia County Medical Society; John M. Simpkin of Marshfield, Coos and Curry Counties Medical Society; F. L. Ralston and C. L. Gilstrap of La Grande, Eastern Oregon District Medical Society; Edward R. Durno of Medford, Jackson County Medical Society; B. G. Bailey of Grants Pass, Josephine County Medical Society; C. E. Leithead of Lakeview, Lake County Medical Society; J. C. Booth of Lebanon, Linn County Medical Society; H. R. Kauffman of Toledo, Lincoln County Medical Society; C. L. Booth, M. A. Howard, B. A. Van Loan, William A. Shea, E. E. Gambee, and Matthew C. Riddle of Portland, Multnomah County Medical Society; P. A. Loar of Silverton, Polk-Yamhill-Marion Medical Society; R. E. Ringo of Tillamook, Tillamook County Medical Society; Eugene T. Moon of La Grande, Union County Medical Society.

Committee on Constitution and By-Laws

I.

It is proposed to amend various provisions of the constitution to make the meaning more clear. This applies to the statement of the purposes of the society, composition of component societies, statements as to classes of membership in the society, election of officers, powers of the council, House of Delegates, and many other provisions of the constitution.

II.

A new type of membership is proposed which will be called Junior Membership. The constitution and by-laws provide that upon making application for membership qualified physicians shall be entitled to admittance as a junior member. This membership automatically terminates at the end of three years, without prejudice to the members applying for active memberships. This provision is intended to establish a sort of apprentice membership in the society, it being the theory that after a three year membership the society will be better able to judge whether or not a person is entitled to active membership.

III.

The provision of the constitution regarding funds of the society has been changed to provide that only active members in good standing have any interest in the property or assets of the society, and if an active member resigns, is suspended, expelled, or otherwise ceases to be an active member of the society, he shall lose all interest in the property of the society.

IV.

A provision for a referendum is set out in the proposed constitution.

V.

The method of amending the constitution has been changed to allow an amendment without as much red tape as formerly was required.

VI.

It is proposed to amend the By-Laws in many respects to clarify the existing provisions.

VII.

Definitions of membership have been changed, and a provision made for a new type of Junior Membership in the by-laws.

VIII.

There is a definite provision in the proposed by-laws making acceptance of any class of membership, or user of any of the privileges of membership an agreement to be bound by the constitution and by-laws of the society.

IX.

The provisions for suspension and expulsion for non-payment of dues have been changed for the purpose of clarification.

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X.

The provisions in the by-laws regarding the House of Delegates have been changed for the purpose of clarification.

XI.

It is proposed to change the present provisions regarding disciplinary proceedings. In general the proposal

is that anyone who feels that he has been injured by disciplinary action taken by component societies may appeal to the council of the State Society. An orderly procedure is provided for, and there is also a provision for appeal from the decision of the council to the American Medical Association. It is also proposed to allow the council to hear cases involving disciplinary proceedings of members of the State Society without waiting for proceedings to be taken by the component societies.

XII.

It is proposed that the principle of medical ethics of the American Medical Association, the rules of professional conduct provided by the House of Delegates of the American Medical Association, and the House of Delegates of Oregon State Medical Society shall govern the conduct of the members of the State Society.

XIII.

It is proposed to change the provision of the by-laws in regard to amendments to provide a more liberal system of amendments.

KARL H. MARTZLOFF,
Chairman.

It was voted that this report be referred to the Council.

Committee on New Business

Your committee submits the following report:

1. Your committee recommends the adoption of the reports of the Secretary-Treasurer, the Delegate to the American Medical Association, and the Committees on Scientific Work, Public Policy, Publication, Medical Defense, Medical Education and Hospitals, State Industrial Affairs, Maternal Welfare, Cancer Control, Syphilis Control, Clinic and Institutional Medical Care, Conservation of Vision, Conservation of Hearing and Military Affairs, and of the recommendations contained therein.

2. Your committee calls attention to the gradual but consistent growth in membership as reported by the Secretary.

3. Your committee directs attention to the excellent condition of the society's finances and to the increase in the amount of our invested funds, in spite of unusual ex-

penditures necessitated by numerous emergencies which have arisen during recent years.

4. Your committee calls attention to the recommendation of the Committee on Scientific Work concerning the desirability of providing postgraduate instruction to our membership and recommends that a program of such instruction be developed and, if finances permit, placed in operation during the coming year.

5. Your committee especially commends the report of the Committee on Public Education and its suggested program of public education by the component societies and recommends that during the coming year each local society place in effect the suggested program in whole or in part.

6. Your committee calls attention to the recommendation of the Committee on Public Policy that, prior to the November election, every component society arrange to invite candidates for the state legislature from its district to a meeting to indicate the evils of government-controlled medicine and to develop friendly relations with the candidates, and that the delegates from each component society assume the responsibility of seeing to it that their local society arranges such a meeting at an early date.

7. Your committee offers commendation to the Committee on State Industrial Affairs for its efforts in the continuous extension of harmonious relations between the State Industrial Accident Commission and the medical profession and in connection with the adoption by the Commission of a more satisfactory schedule of physicians' fees.

8. Your committee directs attention to the fact that it is the duty of the delegates to present to their local societies at their first fall meeting, a report of the actions of the House of Delegates.

J. C. Hayes,
Chairman.

It was voted that this report be adopted.

Committee on Resolutions

Your committee recommends the adoption of the following resolutions:

1. *Resolved*: That Oregon State Medical Society express its sincere appreciation of the efforts of our retiring president, Charles T. Sweeney, in the development of the harmony which to an increasing degree has characterized our discussion and consideration of acute issues confronting our society during the past year.

2. *Resolved*: That Oregon State Medical Society commend W. F. Hollenbeck, our treasurer, for the efficiency with which he has cared for the society's funds, as reflected in the substantial amount which has been added to our invested funds during the past year.

3. *Resolved*: That Oregon State Medical Society express its appreciation to Morris L. Bridgeman, our secretary, for the interest and competence which he has displayed in handling the administrative affairs of the society during the past year.

4. *Resolved*: That Oregon State Medical Society express its thanks to our guest speakers, Cyrus C. Sturgis, Don C. Sutton, Alfred W. Adson, and Edward C. Moore, for their stimulating and informative scientific addresses.

5. *Resolved*: That Oregon State Medical Society reaffirm its many previous expressions of appreciation to the Woman's Auxiliary for its assistance in interpreting the aims and accomplishments of scientific medicine to the lay public.

6. *Resolved*: That Oregon State Medical Society express its appreciation to the secretary and the Committee on Scientific Work for the unusually instructive program of scientific papers and exhibits which induced the largest registration we have yet recorded.

7. *Resolved*: That Oregon State Medical Society extend commendation to our members whose scientific papers and exhibits contributed materially to the success of this meeting.

8. *Resolved*: That Oregon State Medical Society express its sincere appreciation to the Committee on Entertainment of Multnomah County Medical Society for the recreation arranged for the pleasure of our members, to the management and employees of Mount Hood Timberline Lodge for their efforts in providing housing and service, and to the *Morning Oregonian* and the *Oregon Daily Jour-*

nal for their accurate reporting of the news regarding the session.

THOMAS COBERTH,
Chairman.

It was voted that this report be adopted.

Report of Special Committee Appointed to Express Commendation to the Committee on Medical Economics

Whereas: The Committee on Medical Economics has devoted countless hours of unremitting labor to the formulation of principles governing the mutual relations of the several component medical societies of this state in respect to contract practice; and

Whereas: The recommendations of this committee have formed the basis for a plan of medical service which will be advantageous to the public and to the medical profession; therefore be it

Resolved: That Oregon State Medical Society, realizing the personal sacrifice and devoted service of this committee during many months, expresses its deep appreciation individually and collectively to the chairman and members of this committee: Thompson Coberth, E. D. Lamb, O. C. Hagmeier, Dean P. Crowell, W. W. Baum, George E. Henton, J. C. Hayes, and Richard B. Adams.

ROY A. PAYNE, *Chairman,*
RALPH A. FENTON,
J. C. BOOTH.

It was voted that this resolution be adopted.

Thompson Coberth stated that, if the society could develop an organization which would bring in substantial revenue, some plan could be worked out by which elderly members, their wives and the widows of deceased members could be given financial assistance, when needed. It was voted that the Council be instructed to give consideration to such a plan during the coming year.

4370 *Committee on Nominations*

Your Committee on Nominations recommends the following nominees for the offices to be filled at this session:

President-Elect: Charles E. Hunt, Eugene.
First Vice-President: Louis P. Gambee, Portland.

Second Vice-President: F. L. Ralston, La Grande.
Third Vice-President: George E. Henton, Portland.
Treasurer: W. F. Hollenbeck, Portland.
Secretary: Morris L. Bridgeman, Portland.

For Councilors for three-year terms, ending in 1941:

First District: G. H. Strickland, Oregon City.
Third District: W. W. Baum, Salem.
Fifth District: R. W. Hemingway, Bend.

STANLEY LAMB,
Chairman.

It was voted that this report be accepted for submission to the society.

Dr. Lamb, chairman of the Committee on Nominations, reported that the committee had voted to nominate Karl H. Martzloff of Portland to succeed himself as a member of the Committee on Publication for the three-year term ending in 1941.

It was voted that the nominations be closed, the rules suspended, and the secretary instructed to cast a unanimous ballot for Dr. Martzloff. He was thereupon declared elected.

Ralph A. Fenton stated that he had received a letter from the president of Idaho State Medical Association, stating that the secretary of Michigan State Medical Society would attend the annual meeting of Idaho State Medical Association at Sun Valley on September 6–10, to discuss the relationship of the state medical societies to the government. He suggested that an official representative be appointed to attend this meeting and that as many other members as possible be present.

E. D. Lamb spoke briefly concerning the importance of members of local medical societies making personal contacts with candidates for the State Legislature to present the viewpoint of the medical profession toward possible legislation. He suggested that personal contacts were of more value than meetings of entire societies to which candidates are invited.

Charles E. Hunt stressed the importance of having the delegates discuss at the next meeting of their respective local societies the various committee reports, in order to inform members who did not attend the session concerning the activities of the state society.

It was voted that a copy of the adopted Policy and Program for the Medical Care of Low-Wage Industrial Groups be supplied to every physician in the state, following a check of the policy and program by the Bureau of Legal Medicine and Legislation of American Medical Association.

It was voted that the Council be authorized to call a mid-year session of the House of Delegates.

At 8:45 a.m., the House adjourned *sine die*.

GENERAL BUSINESS OF THE SOCIETY

Friday, August 26

The business session of the society was called to order by President Charles T. Sweeney at 9:00 a.m., in the dining room at Mount Hood Timberline Lodge.

Report of the House of Delegates

The secretary presented the following report of the actions of the House of Delegates:

General Actions

1. Directed attention to the gradual, but consistent growth in our membership.

2. Called attention to the excellent condition of the society's finances and the increase in the amount of our invested funds during the past year.

3. Approved the establishment of a program of post-graduate instruction, provided the society's finances permit.

4. Approved the report of the Committee on Public Education and recommended that each component society place in effect, in whole or in part, the committee's suggested program of public education.

5. Approved the recommendation of the Committee on Public Policy that each component soceity meet with the candidates for the state legislature from its district, prior to the November election, for the purpose of pointing out the evils of government-controlled medicine.

6. Voted to establish a Bureau of Medical Economics to assist the component societies in meeting the problem of contract practice and the medical care of low-wage industrial groups.

Resolutions Adopted

Eight resolutions which had been adopted by the House of Delegates were read (page 372).

Elections By the House of Delegates

Member of Committee on Publication for the three-year period ending in 1941, Karl H. Martzloff, Portland.

MORRIS L. BRIDGEMAN,
Secretary.

It was voted that this report be accepted and that the actions of the House of Delegates contained therein be approved.

Election of Officers

The recommendations of the House of Delegates for the various offices of the society were read as appear under nominations.

President Sweeney called for further nominations for each of the above offices. None being made, it was voted that the rules be suspended and the secretary instructed to cast a unanimous ballot for each nominee as presented in the report. Then each was declared elected.

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(According to this exhibit, Morris L. Bridgeman was Chairman of the Committee on Scientific Work of Oregon State Medical Society, W. W. Hollenbeck was Chairman of the Committee on Medical Education and Hospitals, E. D. Lamb was Chairman of the Committee on State Industrial Affairs, Raymon E. Watkins was Chairman of the Committee on Maternal Welfare, Wilson Johnston was Chairman of the Committee On Conservation of Hearing, H. M. Greene was Chairman on Military Affairs, S. G. Henwicke was Chairman on Clinic and Institutional Care, and C. H. Manlove was Chairman of the Committee on Cancer Control.)

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HOUSE OF DELEGATES

FIRST SESSION

Wednesday, October 20

The opening session of the House of Delegates was called to order by President Charles S. Sears at 9:30 a. m., in the Sample Room at Marion Hotel.

President Sears announced the appointment of the Committee on Credentials as follows: Morris L. Bridgeman, chairman; J. C. Hayes, and R. M. Waltz.

On roll-call following members of the Council were present:

Charles E. Sears, president; Charles T. Sweeney, president-elect; J. C. Vandevert, first vice-president; W. W. Baum, second vice-president; Richard B. Adams, third vice-president; Morris L. Bridgeman, secretary; Councilors, Guy L. Boyden, Blair Holcomb, O. C. Hagmeier, Charles E. Hunt, J. C. Hayes, Joseph P. Brennan, and Leslie S. Kent; John H. Fitzgibbon, delegate to the American Medical Association.

The following delegates were present:

E. H. Kelley of Corvallis, Benton County Medical Society; C. J. Rademacher of Bend, Central Oregon Medical Society; L. M. Bain of Albany, Central Willamette Medical Society; E. A. Woods of Ashland, Jackson County Medical Society; L. D. Goss of Klamath Falls, Klamath and Lake Medical Society; E. L. Zimmerman and G. S. Beardsley of Eugene, Lane County Medical Society; F. Bertram Zener, John H. Labadie, H. vH. Thatcher, C. O. Sturdevant, Roy S. Stearns, William C. Panton, Merle M. Moore, A. B. Dykman, Leon A. Goldsmith, George E. Henton and Howard C. Stearns of Portland, and R. A. Bissett of Tigard, Multnomah County Medical Society; R. M. Waltz and V. E. Hockett of Salem, Polk-Yamhill-Marion Medical Society; Byron C. Bailey of Grants Pass, Southern Oregon Medical Society; R. E. Ringo of Tillamook, Tillamook County Medical Society. The executive secretary was also present.

Morris L. Bridgeman, chairman of the Committee on Credentials, reported that, in the absence of the regularly elected delegates from certain component societies, certain members were present and eligible to be seated. On motion duly made and seconded, Paul H. Starr of Clatskanie, Columbia County Medical Society; J. D. Rankin of Coquille, Coos and Curry County Medical Society, and Thomas E. Griffith of The Dalles, Mid-Columbia Medical Society, were seated by vote of the House.

President Sears announced the appointment of the following committees:

Resolutions: Thomas E. Griffith, chairman; L. M. Bain, J. D. Rankin.

New Business: C. O. Sturdevant, chairman; W. W. Baum, G. S. Beardsley.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was voted to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the last annual session, the same having been printed in the December, 1936, issue of NORTHWEST MEDICINE.

A letter from the Illinois State Medical Society requesting action in opposition to Senate Joint Resolution 188, now pending in the U. S. Senate, providing for the regimentation of the medical profession for the care of the so-called impoverished, was read. Dr. Fitzgibbon stated that this communication was very important and that he would discuss it in his report. He also stated that Dr. Fenton, trustee

of the American Medical Association, would have information concerning the resolution and the purposes behind it.

Dr. Fitzgibbon moved that, inasmuch as certain confidential matters would be presented to the House for consideration, a special Reference Committee on Executive Session be appointed by the President to handle such matters and bring in a report at a later session. This motion was duly seconded and carried.

President Sears announced the appointment of the Reference Committee on Executive Session as follows: Charles E. Hunt, chairman; C. J. Rademacher, Guy L. Boyden.

President Sears referred the letter and resolution from the Illinois State Medical Society to the special Committee on Executive Session.

President Sears stated that this all-day session was an innovation inaugurated because many of the up-state members had requested that more time be provided for the discussion of issues presented to the House of Delegates.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Report of Secretary

The following report presents an outline of the chief activities of the Society since the last annual session and a summary of the actions of the Council and its Executive Committee during this period.

By vote of the Council, the rebate of $5 on the dues of active members, which had been voted annually by the council during the years 1933 to 1936 inclusive, was discontinued. Notwithstanding this action, the membership of the Society is greater than it has ever been. The present status of our membership is indicated in the following table:

	Owing prior to 1936 but paying	Paid 1936	Paid 1937	Totals
Active	33	90	530	653
Junior	1	9	37	47
Associate	1		11	12
Life				16
Honorary				17
Non-Resident	2	2	6	10
Total	37	101	584	755

It is particularly noteworthy that expulsions and resignations of some members of certain component societies

have been offset many times by the election of new members.

The Council and its Executive Committee have performed their functions conscientiously and efficiently and have acted in the interests of scientific medicine and the public health in connection with many subjects presented to them during the course of the year. The Council held monthly meetings except during the summer vacation. The Executive Committee held semiweekly, weekly or biweekly meetings as required during the interim between Council meetings.

In conformity to the established policy of informing the members of the component societies concerning the problems and activities of the state society, the Council held two meetings outside of Portland. One of these was held at Roseburg, to which the members of Southern Oregon Medical Society, assembled in annual meeting, were invited. The second of these meetings was held at Bend and members of the Central Oregon Medical Society were invited to attend. Supplementing these meetings outside of Portland, representatives of the Council were assigned to discuss current problems and policies before Coos and Curry Medical Society, Yamhill County Medical Society, and Clackamas County Medical Society. The Council, therefore, during the past two years has contacted by one or the other of these methods practically all the component societies. It is believed that these efforts have been helpful in informing the medical profession throughout the state concerning the major problems now confronting
4373 them and the policies developed by the Society in dealing with these problems.

The following summary provides information concerning the principal actions of the Council since the last annual session:

Actions of the Council

1. Authorized the obtaining of an opinion from Attorney Estes Snedecor as to whether an employer, without qualifying under the state law regulating hospital associations, may lawfully arrange with his employees to make monthly deductions from their wages for the purpose of providing a fund from which the employer may pay hospital, professional and other services rendered to sick and injured employees.

2. Voted to send a group of representatives to the meeting of Clackamas County Medical Society on November

12, 1936, to discuss the Principles of Medical Ethics, particularly in their application to contract practice and the policies concerning contract practice recently adopted by the Council and affirmed by the House of Delegates at The Dalles Session.

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4. Appointed a committee consisting of Robert L. Benson, Karl H. Martzloff, Louis P. Gambee and Frank R. Mount, to cooperate with the State Relief Committee in a study and analysis of the problems of providing medical, dental and nursing services and hospitalization to indigent persons and to submit a report of findings and recommendations as to policies and procedures for providing such services.

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6. Submitted to the Committee on Publication, for its consideration in connection with the appointment of the associate editors of Northwest Medicine, the names of the following members: Frank R. Mount, Blair Holcomb, Banner R. Brooke, Howard P. Lewis, B. O. Woods, Martin A. Howard, and F. Bertram Zener of Portland; Charles E. Hunt of Eugene; E. H. McLean of Oregon City; and E. D. Lamb of Klamath Falls.

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11. Authorized the employment of Mr. W. S. Kirkpatrick of Portland, public relations counsel, to make a preliminary survey concerning a public relations program at a cost not to exceed $50.

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15. Voted that the 1937 annual session be held at Salem.

16. Accepted, with extreme regrets, the resignation of President Thomas Wynne Watts.

17. Following the resignation of Thomas Wynne Watts as President, elected Charles E. Sears as president, J. C. Vandevert as first vice-president, W. W. Baum as second vice-president, and Richard B. Adams as third vice-president.

18. Adopted a recommendation recognizing the desirability of favoring a widespread distribution of *Hygeia* as one of the methods of obtaining the general dissemination of information concerning scientific medicine and medical problems.

19. Authorized the expenditure of a sum not to exceed $75 for *Hygeia* subscriptions to schools, institutions and public officials for this year; that this money be used to carry out an experimental program in some county to be selected by the Executive Committee and representatives of the Woman's Auxiliary; and that the method of carrying out this experimental program be left to the discretion of the Executive Committee and representatives of the Woman's Auxiliary.

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21. Appointed the following committee on syphilis control to cooperate with the U. S. Public Health Service and the State Board of Health in the development of the Oregon program in this field: Morris L. Bridgeman, Earl M. Anderson, W. Ronald Frazier, H. Welland Howard, Lyle B. Kingery, Merl L. Margason, Howard C. Stearns, C. O. Sturdevant, and Charles P. Wilson. Also recommended that each county and district medical society be requested to appoint a member to act with this basic committee.

22. Submitted to Governor Charles H. Martin the names of E. D. Johnson of Klamath Falls, E. D. Lamb of Klamath Falls, and J. C. Hayes of Medford, for his consideration in filling the then existing vacancy on the State Board of Medical Examiners.

23. Authorized the addressing of a letter to all the component societies, calling their attention to the provisions of The Principles of Medical Ethics and the various pronouncements of the House of Delegates of American Medical Association and the House of Delegates of Oregon State Medical Society concerning contract practice and related subjects, and soliciting their cooperation in procuring among their membership the observance of the principles set forth therein.

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25. Adopted a resolution expressing its appreciation of the services rendered to scientific medicine and the public health by our late president, Thomas Wynne Watts, and expressing its profound sorrow at his passing.

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4374 30. Voted that a letter be addressed to Mr. Ralf Couch, Secretary of University of Oregon Medical School, inquiring as to whether any arrangement exists whereby the services of the faculty of the Medical School are available to the University faculty at Eugene on a basis

of fees below the customary charges made to individuals with comparable incomes.

31. Authorized the making of a request to Senator Charles L. McNary that he ask for an investigation of the activities of the Home Owners Loan Corporation in connection with the organization of medical cooperatives among federal employees in Washington, D. C.

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36. Voted that a committee be appointed to study the problems of contract practice in all local communities in which such problems exist and to make a report to the Council containing specific recommendations to guide the State Medical Society and the component medical societies in dealing with these problems not later than October 1.

37. Adopted a form to be submitted by all members who have made or contemplated making contracts for the rendering of medical service.

38. Voted to exercise, under appropriate conditions, original jurisdiction in unethical situations brought to its attention.

39. Voted to create a Grievance Committee to investigate and present information concerning unethical practices which transcend the boundaries of any particular component medical society and are such that they cannot be efficiently handled by the component medical societies.

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Delegate to the American Medical Association

John H. Fitzgibbon presented a detailed verbal report of the actions of the House of Delegates of the American Medical Association at the 1937 session at Atlantic City. He expressed his appreciation of the efforts of Karl H. Martzloff, who assisted him in presenting the viewpoint of our society to the committees of the House of Delegates.

On motion of Dr. Holcomb, and duly seconded, it was voted that the House go on record as expressing its appreciation of Dr. Fitzgibbon's effective work as delegate to the American Medical Association and of the credit reflected upon the Society by his valuable service on important committees.

President Sears called attention to the fact that Dr. Fitzgibbon had not sought election to his position as dele-

gate to the American Medical Association and that it had been necessary to draft him for the position at the 1935 session. He further stated that he had heard numerous favorable comments from physicians in many states concerning Dr. Fitzgibbon's activities as a delegate.

At 12:15 p. m., it was voted to adjourn until 2:00 4375 p. m.

Second Session

Wednesday, October 20

The House of Delegates was called to order by President Charles E. Sears at 2:00 p. m., in the Sample Room at the Marion Hotel.

On roll-call, the following members of the Council were present:

Charles E. Sears, president; Charles T. Sweeney, president-elect; J. C. Vandevert, first vice-president; W. W. Baum, second vice-president; Richard B. Adams, third vice-president; Morris L. Bridgeman, secretary; Councilors Guy L. Boyden, Blair Holcomb, O. C. Hagmeier, Charles E. Hunt, J. C. Hayes, E. D. Lamb, Joseph P. Brennan, and Leslie S. Kent; Ralph A. Fenton, trustee of the American Medical Association; John H. Fitzgibbon, delegate to the American Medical Association.

The following delegates were present:

E. H. Kelley of Corvallis, Benton County Medical Society; C. J. Rademacher of Bend, Central Oregon Medical Society; L. M. Bain of Albany, Central Williamette Medical Society; R. J. Pilkington of Astoria, Clatsop County Medical Society; Paul H. Starr of Clatskanie, Columbia County Medical Society; J. D. Rankin of Coquille, Coos and Curry Medical Society; E. A. Woods of Ashland, Jackson County Medical Society; L. D. Goss of Klamath Falls, Klamath and Lake Medical Society; E. L. Zimmerman and G. S. Beardsley of Eugene, Lane County Medical Society; Thomas E. Griffith, of The Dalles, Mid-Columbian Medical Society; F. Bertram Zener, John H. Labadie, H. vH. Thatcher, C. O. Sturdevant, Roy S. Stearns, William C. Panton, Merle M. Moore, A. B. Dykman, Leon A. Goldsmith, Charles P. Wilson, and Howard C. Stearns of Portland, Multnomah County Medical Society; Byron G. Bailey of Grants Pass, Southern Oregon Medical Society; R. E. Ringo of Tillamook, Tillamook County Medical Society. The executive secretary was also present.

Morris L. Bridgeman, chairman of the Committee on Credentials, reported that, in the absence of the regularly elected delegate of Clackamas County Medical Society, E. H. McLean of Oregon City was present and eligible to be seated. On motion duly made and seconded, Dr. McLean was seated by vote of the House.

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Committee on Public Policy

The principal work of this committee during the past year was in connection with legislation in the 1937 State Legislature affecting scientific medicine and the public health. Our society sponsored only a few measures, but our committee was kept busy throughout the session combatting bills sponsored by other groups, the passage of which would have been damaging to the medical profession and the public.

Our committee was successful in obtaining the passage of the only three measures sponsored by our Society: House Bill 236 which provides that it shall be a misdemeanor for any person to falisfy his financial status in order to procure charity or to secure services, commodities or supplies from a clinic, charitable institution or person; House Bill 246 which strengthens the Medical Practice Act in a number of important particulars; and House Bill 272 which strengthens the Doctors' Title Act by requiring a practitioner or a group of practitioners who practice under an assumed name to designate in all advertising the particular branch of the healing art in which each is licensed.

The National Hospital Association was very active in seeking to obtain the passage of House Bills 281; 282, and 283. The general purpose of these bills was to entrench the large hospital associations. This association also sponsored House Bill 352, to prevent the hospitals from exercising control over the ethical standards of their staffs. This bill was designed to render ineffective the resolution relating to the approval of hospitals for internships and residencies which was adopted at the 1936 Session of the American Medical Association.

One of the most vicious bills with which the committee had to contend was Senate Bill 301 which proposed to make proof of injury from roentgen ray, radium, artificial heat, and all other electrical and mechanical devices and apparatus *prima facie* evidence of negligence by the operator. This bill, which was defeated, was apparently intro-

duced at the instance of a group of attorneys who engage in personal injury litigation.

The cults were active in seeking to break down the Basic Science Law. They had two bills introduced (House Bill 243 and Senate Bill 323) providing for the "piece-meal" passage of the basic science examinations. Both these bills were defeated.

An interesting sidelight was that the cult lobby was headed by "Dr." Ralph Shadduck, who has been head of the Townsend movement in Oregon. Shadduck is a naturopath. He was apparently confident that, with the large number of his Townsend-endorsed candidates in the legislature, he could control legislature relating to the healing art.

On the whole, the session brought forth fewer dangerous measures than we anticipated, as there had been rumers that several bills providing for compulsory sickness insurance would be presented. This issue was not brought before the session in any form.

The physician-members of the legislature performed valiant service in safeguarding the public health and scientific medicine. All five of these: A. K. Higgs of
4376 Multnomah, C. T. Hockett of Wallowa, J. F. Hosch of Deschutes, and A. O. Waller of Lane in the House, and J. A. Best of Umatilla in the Senate, cooperated with our Society to the fullest extent. Dr. Higgs was chairman of the House Committee on Medicine, Pharmacy, and Dentistry. Dr. Waller was vice-chairman and Drs. Hockett and Hosch were members of this committee. Dr. Best was the only physician in the Senate, but he occupied the key position of chairman of the Committee on Medicine, Pharmacy, and Dentistry.

A complete tabulation of all bills in the 1937 session of the State Legislature affecting scientific medicine and the public health, together with comment concerning the final disposition of each, is appended to this report. (These bills are on file in the Executive Secretary's office, where they may be inspected as desired.)

WILLIAM T. JOHNSON,
Chairman

This report was referred jointly to the Committees on Resolutions and New Business.

Committee on Medical Education and Hospitals

Our committee has undertaken no major activities during the past year.

The committee has been in frequent communication with the Council on Medical Education and Hospitals concerning the eligibility for inclusion in the Hospital Register of the American Medical Association of certain newly established hospitals in various parts of the state.

Our committee has been informed that the hospitals of the state are requiring that all individuals and organizations shall pay a uniform rate for the various types of accommodations. If this regulation is strictly enforced, it will eliminate the long standing abuse by which certain contract organizations obtained below-cost rates for hospital services at the expense of above-cost rates for the patients of private physicians.

W. F. HOLLENBECK,
Chairman

This report was referred jointly to the Committees on Resolutions and New Business.

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Ralph A. Fenton, trustee of the American Medical Association, discussed a number of matters of national concern with which the Association has been recently dealing. He stated that it was the unanimous opinion of the Board of Trustees that Dr. Fitzgibbon was one of the most able men in the House of Delegates.

President Sears introduced W. W. Bauer, Director of the Bureau of Health and Public Instruction of the American Medical Association. Dr. Bauer spoke briefly, stating that the members of the Association's staff welcomed the opportunity for close contact with the constituent state societies and that they wished to be of the umost possible service.

Committee on Study of Contract Practice

Richard B. Adams, secretary of the committee, presented a preliminary report of the findings of the committee to date. Drs. Lamb, Hayes, Henton, Adams and Baum of the committee discussed various phases of contract practice. Dr. Lamb declared that the State Workmen's Compensation Law should be amended to provide for a physician-member of the State Industrial Accident Commission.

President Sears stated that the Society owed this committee a vote of thanks for their efforts. He suggested that each delegate consider the material presented in this preliminary report before it is acted upon during the next few days.

The report was referred to the Reference Committee on Executive Session.

President Sears announced that the next meeting of the House would be held in the Mirror Room.

At 5 p.m. it was voted to adjourn until 7:30 a.m., on Thursday.

4379 THIRD SESSION

Thursday, October 21

The House of Delegates was called to order by President Charles E. Sears at 7:30 a.m., in the Mirror Room at Marion Hotel.

On roll-call, the following members of the Council were present:

Charles E. Sears, president; G. A. Massey, past-president; Charles T. Sweeney, president-elect; J. C. Vandevert, first vice-president; W. W. Baum, second vice-president; Richard B. Adams, third vice-president; Morris L. Bridgeman, secretary; Councilors O. C. Hagmeier, Charles E. Hunt, J. C. Hayes, E. D. Lamb, Joseph P. Brennan, and Leslie S. Kent; John H. Fitzgibbon, delegate to the American Medical Association.

The following delegates were present:

E. H. Kelley of Corvallis, Benton County Medical Society; C. J. Rademacher of Bend, Central Oregon Medical Society; R. J. Pilkington of Astoria, Clatsop County Medical Society; Paul H. Starr of Clatskanie, Columbia County Medical Society; J. D. Rankin of Coquille, Coos and Curry Medical Society; E. A. Woods of Ashland, Jackson County Medical Society; L. D. Goss of Klamath Falls, Klamath and Lake Medical Society; E. L. Zimmerman and George I. Hurley of Eugene, Lane County Medical Society; Thomas E. Griffith of The Dalles, Mid-Columbia Medical Society; F. Bertram Zener, Roy S. Stearns, William C. Panton, Charles P. Wilson, Earl D. DuBois, George E. Henton, Frank R. Mount, Roger H. Keane of Portland, and R. A. Bissett of Tigard, Multnomah County Medical Society. R. M. Waltz of Salem, Polk-Yamhill-Marion Medical Society; Byron G. Bailey of Grants Pass, Southern Oregon Medical Society; R. E. Ringo of Tillamook, Tillamook County Medical Society.

Morris L. Bridgeman, chairman of the Committee on Credentials, reported that, in the absence of the regularly elected delegates from certain component societies, certain members were present and eligible to be seated. On motion duly made and seconded, A. W. Tiedeman of Baker, Baker County Medical Society, and William T. Johnson of Corvallis, Central Willamette Medical Society, were seated by vote of the House.

Several members of the Society and guests were also present, including W. W. Bauer of the American Medical Association and Clarence A. Smith, editor of NORTHWEST MEDICINE. The executive secretary was also present.

President Sears announced that the local press were seeking news of the actions taken by the House of Delegates and that he wished to appoint Dr. Fitzgibbon to give out such information in order that the newspapers might obtain the facts accurately.

President Sears announced that it was the duty of the House to select the Committee on Nominations. Thomas E. Griffith, F. Bertram Zener, and Charles E. Hunt were nominated. Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was voted that the nominations be closed, the rules suspended, and the secretary instructed to cast a unanimous ballot for Drs. Griffith, Zener and Hunt, and they were declared elected.

Dr. Fitzgibbon pointed out the desirability of obtaining publicity concerning medical organization activities in the Pacific Northwest which would reach the officers, trustees, and delegates of the American Medical Association. He suggested that the Oregon, Washington and Idaho state societies could underwrite the sending of the official journal to these individuals, as many state societies do. Dr. Fitzgibbon stated that one man should be appointed in each state to supply organization news. He also stated that there was very little news in the *Journal of the American Medical Association* concerning medical activities in the Pacific Northwest. Dr. Fitzgibbon stated that our problems are a part of the national picture and that proposed solutions must be coordinated in order to be successful. He stated that publicity is one method of solving these problems.

President Sears called upon Clarence A. Smith, editor of NORTHWEST MEDICINE, who discussed the organization section provided in 1935 for news of the activities of the Oregon, Washington and Idaho state societies. He also

pointed out that the proceedings of the House of Delegates are published in the journal. He stated that the journal would be glad to cooperate in sending copies to the officers, trustees and delegates of the American Medical Association, but that the cost of doing so would be a factor. He promised to investigate the matter and to discuss it with Olin West, secretary of the American Medical Association at the Conference of Secretaries and Editors next month.

It was moved and seconded that the executive secretary be authorized to send news of Society activities to the *Journal of the American Medical Association* and to call upon members of the Society for assistance, as needed. A motion to amend the original motion, by substituting the word, "secretary" for "executive secretary" was made. This amendment was accepted by the maker of the motion and his second and the motion as amended was carried.

President Sears appointed Dr. Fitzgibbon to discuss with the American Medical Association and the Washington and Idaho state societies his proposal that NORTHWEST MEDICINE be sent to the officers, trustees and delegates of the American Medical Association.

Dr. Adams stated that Dr. Fitzgibbon would be quoted in the newspapers in connection with his duties of giving out information to the local newspapers concerning the actions taken by the House and suggested that the executive secretary give out this information. It was concluded that the executive secretary should release such information under the direction of and following the approval of a committee consisting of the secretary and Dr. Fitzgibbon.

President Sears called on Dr. Bauer who outlined the principles underlying the proper relationship between local and state medical societies and the press.

At the request of President Sears, Dr. Bauer outlined the policies of the American Medical Association concerning contract practice.

Committee on Medical Defense

The committee has pursued its customary duties of analyzing claims and suits of alleged malpractice made against our members and assisting the insurance carriers in the defense of cases in which it was clear that no malpractice existed.

The following tabulation indicates the disposition of claims and suits brought to the attention of the committee during the period October 1, 1936, to October 1, 1937:

Claims—No Suit Filed

Closed without payment	11
Settled for nominal amount	1
Pending	2

Suits

Non-suits for physician-defendant	3
Jury verdicts for physician-defendant	4
Pending	5

The committee is pleased to report that the incidence of claims and suits seems to be diminishing and that certain communities of the state, which in the past have been sources of an unusual number of claims and suits, appear to have eliminated the professional discord that brought about previous difficulties.

FRANK E. BUTLER,
Chairman

This report was referred jointly to the Committees on Resolutions and New Business.

4380 *Committee on Publication*

Inasmuch as no formal meeting of the Board of Trustees of Associate Editors has been called for NORTHWEST MEDICINE for the current year, the report of this Committee will be brief. Dr. Smith reports that the reason for not calling a meeting has been failure to obtain the promise of a quorum at either of the State meetings.

The majority of your Committee believes that NORTHWEST MEDICINE is being creditably conducted and is in the main living up to all its potentialities. Conscientious effort seems to be made in relation to the interests of the Oregon State Medical Society. Reports concerning Oregon dealings have been published in toto and a considerable amount of space has been given to Oregon essayists. The financial condition of the journal as indicated by the yearly audit is satisfactory, the journal being on a better financial footing than it has for several years.

Correspondence between the chairman of the Oregon Committee and the Editor, Dr. Clarence Smith, in relation to the advisability of preparing an incumbent for the position of editor should anything happen to invalid the present editor has brought the statement that two men, one of them very able, are being prepared for this position. It is the feeling of this Committee, gathered from informal

discussion, that such an individual should be clearly designated and be acceptable both to the Washington and Oregon group in order to avoid complication, should the occasion arise for an immediate change of office. This matter has been repeatedly brought to the attention of the Editor-in-Chief and we believe should be a subject of definite action by the entire organization.

Criticism in relation to the high price of reprints has been answered by the editor. He points out that it is impossible under existing circumstances to obtain lower prices.

GOODRICH C. SCHAUFFLER,
Chairman.

This report was referred jointly to the Committees on Resolutions and New Business.

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FOURTH SESSION

Friday, October 22

The House of Delegates was called to order by President Charles E. Sears at 7:30 a.m. in the Mirror Room at Marion Hotel.

On roll-call, the following members of the Council were present:

Charles E. Sears, president; G. A. Massey, past-president; Charles T. Sweeney, president-elect; J. C. Vandevert, first vice-president; W. W. Baum, second vice-president; Richard B. Adams, third vice-president; Morris L. Bridgeman, secretary; Councilors Karl H. Martzloff, O. C. Hagmeier, Charles E. Hunt, J. C. Hayes, Joseph P. Brennan and Leslie S. Kent.

The following delegates were present:

A. W. Tiedeman of Baker, Baker County Medical Society; E. H. Kelley of Corvallis, Benton County Medical Society; C. J. Rademacher of Bend, Central Oregon
4381 Medical Society; L. M. Bain of Albany, Central Willamette Medical Society; R. J. Pilkington of Astoria, Clatsop County Medical Society; J. D. Rankin of Coquille, Coos and Curry Medical Society; L. D. Goss of Klamath Falls, Klamath and Lake Medical Society; G. S. Beardsley of Eugene, Lane County Medical Society; Thomas E. Griffith of The Dalles, Mid-Columbia Medical Society; F. Bertram Zener, Roy S. Stearns, Noble Wiley

Jones, Charles P. Wilson, William C. Panton, Merle M. Moore, C. O. Sturdevant, George E. Henton, Frank R. Mount and Roger H. Keane of Portland, Multnomah County Medical Society; R. M. Waltz of Salem, Polk-Yamhill-Marion Medical Society; Byron G. Bailey of Grants Pass, Southern Oregon Medical Society; R. E. Rengo of Tillamook, Tillamook County Medical Society.

Morris L. Bridgeman, chairman of the Committee on Credentials, reported that, in the absence of the regularly elected delegates from certain component societies, certain members were present and eligible to be seated. On motion duly made and seconded, W. H. MacDougall of Oswego, Clackamas County Medical Society, and W. G. Holman of Burns, Eastern Oregon District Medical Society, were seated by vote of the House.

Several members of the Society were also present. Clarence A. Smith, editor of NORTHWEST MEDICINE, was also present. The executive secretary was also present.

President Sears expressed the appreciation of the Council and himself to the delegates for attending the sessions day after day.

Dr. Griffith stated that a gross violation of the medical practice act existed in his district, in which the first aid man of a commercial hospital association was dispensing medicine and suturing wounds. There was discussion by various members of the House concerning the difficulties encountered by the State Board of Medical Examiners in attempting to enforce the medical practice act. On motion duly made and seconded, it was voted that the Council be authorized to employ a special investigator and legal counsel to apprehend and prosecute any persons who may be practicing medicine and surgery without a license.

The following communication was read:

Salem, Oregon.
October 22, 1937.

To the House of Delegates of the
63rd Annual Session of the
Oregon State Medical Society:

Chapter One of By-Laws shall be amended by adding a new section to be known as Section 10.

Section 10. No member of this society may be a party to an unethical contract to furnish medical and/or surgical services to any person, persons, employee, or group of employees.

G. A. MASSEY,
L. D. GOSS.

There was discussion by various members of the House concerning the definition of ethical contract practice.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was voted that, when the House adjourns, it adjourn to meet at 7:45 a.m., on Saturday.

A telegram from Mrs. John Degges, manager of the Hotel Gearhart, inviting the Society to hold its 1938 session there, was read. On motion duly made and seconded, it was voted that this communication be referred to the Council.

A letter from the Oregon Social Hygiene Society requesting a contribution toward the purchase of billboard posters uring blood examinations of expectant mothers was read. On motion duly made and seconded, it was voted that this communication be referred to the Council.

Committee On New Business

1. Your committee recommends the adoption of the reports of the Secretary, the Treasurer, the Delegate to the American Medical Association, and the Committees on Scientific Work, Publication, Medical Defense, Medical Education and Hospitals, Public Education, State Industrial Affairs, Clinic and Institutional Medical Care, Military Affairs, Liaison Committee to the Woman's Auxiliary, Maternal Welfare, and Veterans' Affairs. Your committee is impressed with the high quality of the work evidenced by these reports and recommends the adoption of the recommendations contained therein.

2. Your committee especially commends the work of the Committee on Public Policy and the physician-members of the State Legislature in dealing with legislation affecting scientific medicine and the public health during the 1937 session.

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C. O. STURDEVANT,
Chairman

On motion duly made and seconded it was voted that this report be adopted.

Committee on Resolutions

Your committee recommends the adoption of the following resolutions:

1. *Resolved*, that the Committee on the Revision of Constitution and By-Laws be requested to make a study with

a view to increasing the number of councilor districts in order to provide representation on the Council to a larger number of the sections of the state.

2. *Resolved,* that a mid-year session of the House of Delegates be held in order to permit the more effective consideration of the numerous problems now confronting the Society.

3. *Resolved,* that Oregon State Medical Society commend the efficiency and results obtained by our retiring president, Charles E. Sears, in the face of the handicaps resulting from his being placed in office in the middle of the year following the death of Dr. Watts.

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5. *Resolved,* that Oregon State Medical Society express its appreciation to Morris L. Bridgeman, our secretary, for the competent manner in which he has administered the affairs of the Society during the past year.

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7. *Whereas,* our executive secretary, Clyde C. Foley, has demonstrated so efficiently his ability and insight into the executive functions of our society; therefore be it

Resolved, that Oregon State Medical Society express its acknowledgment of his services by extending their appreciation of his efforts.

8. *Resolved,* that Oregon State Medical Society express its appreciation of the efforts of John H. Fitzgibbon, our delegate to the American Medical Association, and of the credit reflected upon our Society through the recognition accorded his character and ability by the House of Delegates, as evidenced by his appointment to important committees.

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12. *Resolved,* that Oregon State Medical Society acknowledge the continued efforts of the Woman's Auxiliary in advancing public understanding of scientific medicine, particularly through the more widespread distribution of *Hygeia*.

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14. *Resolved,* that Oregon State Medical Society commend the interest and efforts of our members who appeared on the program as essayists and exhibitors.

15. *Resolved,* that Oregon State Medical Society express its sincere appreciation to the Polk-Yamhill-Marion Medical Society, to its Committee on Arrangements and its Woman's Auxiliary for the splendid arrangements made for the comfort and convenience of our Society and its Woman's Auxiliary; to *The Capital Journal and The Statesman* for their cooperation and courtesy in handling the news of the meeting; to the management and employees of the Marion Hotel in providing housing and service for our meetings and exhibits; to the management of Station KLSM; and to the many citizens who assisted in making this session so successful.

THOMAS E. GRIFFITH,
Chairman

On motion duly made and seconded, it was voted that this report be adopted.

President Sears relinquished the chair to Dr. Baum, second vice-president.

Committee on Nominations

Your Committee on Nominations has labored conscientiously with its task of selecting the names of candidates for the various offices vacant in the Society. With no thought of conferring honors on its members, save that crowning reward of "Work well done," it has been activated in proposing the names of those who will most efficiently serve the Society.

We wish to call attention to the progress made by the Society during the past year and to our desire to maintain that pleasant state in the further solution of our ever increasing problems.

Your committee feels that too much credit cannot be accorded our president, Charles E. Sears, who, as vice-president, was elected by the Council of the Society to fill the unexpired term of our late lamented President Watts. In this period, with little opportunity to develop a program, he has formulated the constructive policies so necessary in our organization.

Your committee presents the following recommendations for the various offices to be filled:

President-elect	Charles E. Sears, Portland
First Vice-President	W. W. Baum, Salem
Second Vice-President	Richard B. Adams, Portland
Third Vice-President	Dean P. Crowell, North Bend

Treasurer.....W. F. Hollenbeck, Portland
Secretary.....Morris L. Bridgeman, Portland

Councilors for three-year term ending in 1940:

First District—Guy L. Boyden, Portland; Karl H. Martzloff, Portland.

Seventh District—C. T. Hockett, Enterprise.

Delegate to the American Medical Association—John H. Fitzgibbon, Portland.

Alternate Delegate to the American Medical Association—Karl H. Martzloff, Portland.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was voted that this report be accepted for submission to the Society.

Dr. Griffith, chairman of the Committee on Nominations, reported that the committee had voted to nominate E. H. McLean of Oregon City for member of the Committee on Publication for the three-year term ending in 1940. On motion duly made and seconded, it was voted that the nominations be closed, the rules suspended, and the secretary instructed to cast a unanimous ballot for Dr. McLean, and he was declared elected.

Dr. Baum made an announcement concerning the banquet at 6:30 p.m., and the dance immediately following the banquet.

At 9:00 a.m., it was voted to adjourn until 7:45 a.m., on Saturday.

Fifth Session

Saturday, October 23

The House of Delegates was called to order by President Charles E. Sears at 7:45 a.m., in the Mirror Room at Marion Hotel.

On roll call, the following members of the Council were present:

Charles E. Sears, president; G. A. Massey, past president; Charles T. Sweeney, president-elect; J. C. Vandevert, first vice-president; W. W. Baum, second vice-president; Richard B. Adams, third vice-president; Morris L. Bridgeman, secretary; Councilors Blair Holcomb, Karl H. Martzloff, O. C. Hagmeier, Charles E. Hunt, and J. C. Hayes; John H. Fitzgibbon, delegate to the American Medical Association.

The following delegates were present:

A. W. Tiedeman of Baker, Baker County Medical Society; R. J. Pilkington of Astoria, Clatsop County Medical Society; W. G. Homan of Burns, Eastern Oregon District Medical Society; Thomas E. Griffith of The Dalles, Mid-Columbia Medical Society; F. Bertram Zener, Charles P. Wilson, C. O. Sturdevant, and George E. Henton of Portland, Multnomah County Medical Society; R. M. Wall of Salem, Polk-Yamhill-Marion Medical Society.

Morris L. Bridgeman, chairman of the Committee on Credentials, reported that, in the absence of the regularly elected delegates from certain component societies, certain members were present and eligible to be seated. On motion duly made and seconded, Dean P. Crowell of North Bend, Coos and Curry Medical Society, and David Robinson of Tillamook, Tillamook County Medical Society, were seated by vote of the House.

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Several members of the Society and the executive secretary were also present.

Dr. Massey opened the discussion on the amendment to the By-Laws prohibiting unethical contract practice by members of the Society introduced on Friday by Dr. Goss and himself. There was discussion by various members of the House concerning the proposed amendment. Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was voted that the proposed amendment be referred to a special committee for study and amplification, and that this committee present a report at the mid-year meeting of the House.

Committee on New Business

Your committee recommends that the Council instruct the Committee on Public Policy to investigate the desirability of seeking an amendment to the Workmen's Compensation Law to provide that there shall be added to the personnel of the State Industrial Accident Commission a physician; the purpose of this proposal is to provide in the personnel of the Commission, which deals so largely with medical problems, a member who, by his training as a physician, will assist the Commission in handling these problems and in dealing with the medical profession.

C. O. STURDEVANT,
Chairman

On motion duly made and seconded, it was voted that this report be referred to the Council.